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## SHANGHAI TENSION.

### Foreign Women Leaving Nanking.

### HANKOW STRIKE.

### Foreign Banks Again Close Down.

To-day's messages from the North report tension at Shanghai, danger at Nanking, and a strike at Hankow. The British and other foreign banks at Hankow have decided to close down until a satisfactory settlement can be reached.

Foreign women and children are leaving Nanking for Shanghai, where the Municipal Council has issued a proclamation stating it will use all powers at its command to preserve order.

### HANKOW STRIKE.

#### Foreign Banks All Close Down.

The following wireless messages have been received by the local naval authorities:—

Owing to the strike of the Chinese staffs, all British and other foreign banks at Hankow have decided to close down and remained closed until a satisfactory settlement can be concluded.

In the course of the negotiations between British consular and other officials and the Labour Unions at Wuhu relating to the collision between the s.s. "Kutwo" and a military launch, it has been alleged by the Unions that among

### NANKING UNSAFE.

#### Foreign Women and Children Leaving.

Shanghai, March 22. The evacuation of the foreign women and children from Nanking began at daylight.—Reuter.

those sunk on the launch was a Chinese Colonel (commander of 500 men), his family and retinue. Twelve bodies have been recovered, together with a quantity of luggage, and arrangements have been made for the salvaging of the boat for the purpose of recovering the bodies of others alleged to have been on board at the time.

The situation at Wuhu remains quiet.

**Safety of Foreigners.**

The Northern troops fleeing from Changchow (captured by the Southerners) are using the Shanghai-Nanking Railway.

All foreign women and children at Nanking have been advised to leave for Shanghai.

During the last few days, 20,000 of Sun's forces at Chinkiang have crossed to the North Bank.

Southern troops were expected to arrive in Chinkiang last night. Many troops have left Chinkiang for Nanking.

Some of Sun's troops have been cut off at Changchow and have declared themselves neutral. They will probably cross to the North Bank.

A darkened vessel passed "Silver Island" (Chinkiang) at high speed at 1.45 a.m. yesterday and was fired at by the forts which are garrisoned by Sun's forces.

All women and children at Chinkiang have been warned to evacuate in the next down-river steamer.

### POSITION TENSE.

#### Municipal Council Issues Proclamation.

Rugby, March 21. The advance troops of the Southern Nationalists reached Shanghai to-day and Press telegrams report a tense situation. Business is temporarily at a standstill. Workers have left their occupations, and the Settlement police have had to clear the streets of Chinese crowds.

The barriers of the settlement are closed, and foreigners are remaining within its boundaries along which the defence force troops are posted.

A large force of United States marines landed in the settlement to-day, and British, Dutch, Italian and Spanish naval vessels also landed parties at the request of the Municipality.

The Chinese city is reported to be in a ferment.

The Municipal Council has issued a proclamation declaring a state of emergency, and stating

that all the powers at their command will be used to preserve peace and good order.—British

### JAPAN'S EXAMPLE.

#### Questions Regarding British Concessions.

London, March 21.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Howard Bury asked whether, in view of the recent developments at Hankow and the protests from Peking, the Government would consider the advisability of adopting a policy similar to Japan, which had stated that she does not intend returning the Concessions in the present unpromising circumstances.

Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the Government did not intend to go back on its proposals regarding the Concessions which had been communicated to Peking and Hankow in January after careful examination.

Replying to Mr. E. Thurtle (Labour) regarding the foundation for statements concerning Japanese policy, Mr. Locker Lampson said that the information received from Japan showed a great deal of divergence.

He believed as a matter of fact that the Japanese Consul General at Hankow was prepared to sign a similar agreement to ourselves.

Mr. H. W. Locker (Conservative) suggested deferment of further negotiations for returning the Concessions to the Nationalists as the latter failed to respect British rights and restrain their followers from acts of violence, notably at Wuhu and Ningpo.

Mr. Locker Lampson pointed out that Wuhu and Ningpo were not British Concessions, but the Government would do its best to protect British rights wherever they were attacked.

He added that the same measures would be afforded to British subjects at Hankow and Kiukiang as at the other treaty ports.—Reuter.

### EARLIER MESSAGES.

#### Chinese Looters Break Into Settlement.

Shanghai, March 21.

A party of Chinese troops, presumably Northerners, broke through the barrier to the north of the Settlement and started looting. The two armoured cars which were sent out were continuously fired on by machine guns. Four of the occupants of the first car were wounded, though not seriously.—Lieutenant Newman, Privates P. Ashley and Herman, and Lieut. Corporal Ainslie. The second car towed away the car with the wounded, under heavy fire, which was returned.—Reuter.

### Civilians Wounded.

#### Shanghai, March 21.

A continuous rumble of firing is audible this evening from the direction of the Native City, where there appears to be much disturbance. Bullets and shrapnel have fallen in the International Concession wounding one Russian and several Chinese civilians.—Reuter.

### Baton Charges.

#### Later.

Big, and in many cases, truculent crowds are collecting and the International City Police have been compelled to make a baton charge several times in the Nanking Road to disperse huge assemblies blocking the traffic. Three Punjabi, at the Border barrier in the north of the City have been shot, but no details are hand.—Reuter.

### The Nationalist Flag was hoisted at the Post Office and over

## STOLEN GOODS?

### Articles From Powell's Store?

### ARREST OF TWO MEN.

Detective Sergeant Baker and a party of police yesterday executed a search warrant at No. 10, Ice House Street and discovered a lot of serge, ladies' underwear, boots, socks and pullovers believed to be stolen property.

Two Chinese have been arrested on suspicion, one of whom is said to be a coolie employed by Messrs. Sassoon's.

Part of the goods is said to "correspond" with articles stolen from Messrs. Powell's, but the goods have not yet been definitely identified.

## "OVERCAST."

### WEATHER FORECAST FOR TO-MORROW.

"East winds, moderate; generally overcast" is the weather forecast for to-morrow.

Pressure has increased slightly over Japan and the Visayas. It has decreased moderately at Shanghai and slightly over South China.

The anticyclone is central over South West Japan.

Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the South East Coast of China and over the North China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 6.14 inches, against an average of 5.06 inches.

nearly all the Chinese shops. The French authorities are erecting barbed barriers across the few remaining streets hitherto unbarred, bordering the International Settlement. The Volunteers were mobilised at three o'clock this afternoon. The Japanese have landed a Naval Party and are patrolling the Bund, and H.M.S. "Hawkins" has also landed a Naval Party.—Reuter.

### Details of the Shooting.

#### Later.

The Punjabis were proceeding with trucks along a Municipal road in the northern district, just outside the Settlement boundary when a number of shots were fired at them from an alleyway through barbed wire. Three of the Punjabis were hit, and one died almost immediately. The others are not seriously injured. The district is mainly populated by Cantonese, and owing to its crowded condition no attempt was made to arrest the assailants.

### Naval Landings.

#### Shanghai, March 21.

The Dutch, Spanish, Italian and American warships landed naval sailors in the International Settlement and French sailors were landed in the French Concession. The landings in the International Settlement were in response to a request from the Municipal Council, who have declared a "State of Emergency."

The Suffolks have been detailed for defence inside the Settlement.—Reuter.

### 30,000 Strikers.

#### Shanghai, March 21.

The railwaymen have joined the strikers, who at noon-time, numbered over 30,000.

The American Company of the Volunteers is guarding the Post Office. The situation is now well in hand.—Reuter.

### Brush With French.

#### Shanghai, March 21.

The Nationalist occupation of the Native part of Shanghai, which may now be considered as accomplished, fact, took the dual form of a military advance and effective internal action by the Nationalist gunmen operating in night, who seized several native police stations, setting fire to one. In most cases they were completely successful, but the occupants of one station resisted, inflicting casualties among the attackers.

The French outpost on the furthest border of the French Concession brushed against a small detachment of Chinese troops this afternoon. Shots were exchanged and the Chinese were driven off.—Reuter.

## ANOTHER PIRACY.

### Jardine Cargo Steamer Seized.

### "HOPSANG" LOOTED.

### European Passenger Reported Injured.

The British cargo steamer, "Hopsang," belonging to the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., for whom Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., are the general managers, has been seized by pirates, and taken to Bias Bay.

After being looted there, the vessel was released this morning, arriving at Hong Kong this afternoon. There were no serious casualties, but a European passenger, whose name is not yet known, was slightly injured.

### MIDNIGHT ATTACK.

#### Injuries to a European Passenger.

Undeterred by the fate of those of the Bias Bay pirate gang who were burnt, drowned or captured and suffered the penalty of their misdeeds as a result of the heroic conduct of the officers of the s.s. "Sunning," pirates operating from this centre have added yet another vessel to the list of those on the China coast which they have successfully pirated.

The s.s. "Hopsang," an Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. vessel, which left Swatow for Hong Kong towards sunset last night, was pirated (presumably by pirates embarking as passengers) in the neighbourhood of Bias Bay at midnight. The exact manner of the piracy and subsequent events are not yet known but, according to a wireless message received in Hong Kong, this morning, a European passenger was injured.

The vessel, under the control of the pirates, was then taken to Bias Bay and the pirates disembarked with their loot. The extent of this also is not known. The "Hopsang" was carrying general cargo and it cannot be ascertained whether specie was being carried as well.

The vessel, which was released from Bias Bay at 9 a.m. to-day, arrived in Hong Kong shortly before 2 p.m. and went to C.85 buoy (West Point).

In accordance with the instructions of the Police, no member of the public or of the Press was allowed on board the vessel until the Police had carried out a full investigation and interviewed the

passengers. This will, in all probability, take some three hours.

It is understood that the European passenger was not seriously injured. In the Police boat which boarded the vessel on arrival was a local doctor. The wireless message from the "Hopsang" stated that no ambulance would be required. The name of the passenger in question is not known.

The "Hopsang," carrying not more than twelve passengers, is ranked as a cargo boat, and as such the Anti-Piracy Regulations do not apply to her. The Police cannot, therefore, conduct their investigations along the lines, as to whether or not the Anti-Piracy regulations were observed. They are subjecting passengers to cross-examination.

After the examination of the passengers, the "Hopsang" will go alongside Jardine's wharf near the Seamen's Home at West Point.

The following officers were on board the "Hopsang" at the time:—

Captain—W. J. Booker.  
1st Officer—C. D. Nicoll.  
2nd Officer—F. Webster.  
3rd Officer—G. T. L. Hunter.  
1st Engineer—M. Piveteau.  
2nd Engineer—B. H. Fookes.  
3rd Engineer—A. Campbell.  
Wireless Operator—Cheung Kwong-yung.

According to Lloyd's register, the "Hopsang" was built in 1901 at Glasgow by the London and Glasgow Co., Ltd. Dimensions are:—tonnage, gross 2,149, net 1,359; length 290 feet, breadth 42 feet, depth 15.4 feet.

## WIFE WHO LEFT.

### HUSBAND AND SUPPOSED RIVAL.

### ASSAULT WITH CHOPPER.

The Chinese who admitted wounding another man with a chopper in West Point because the latter had enticed away his wife was again before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning.

The wounded man and accused wife were also present in Court.

When the Magistrate told the complainant that the accused had alleged that he had aided and abetted his wife to leave him, this man said he had merely found lodgings for her at her own request.

Magistrate: What business is that of yours? You have no right to interfere between man and wife.

Asked why she left her husband the woman said he never supported her and she had to earn her own living.

Magistrate: Many wives have to do that. Are you prepared to return?—No, I should starve if I did.

Magistrate: You are the cause of all this trouble. Why can't you shift for yourself instead of getting another man to support you?—No reply.

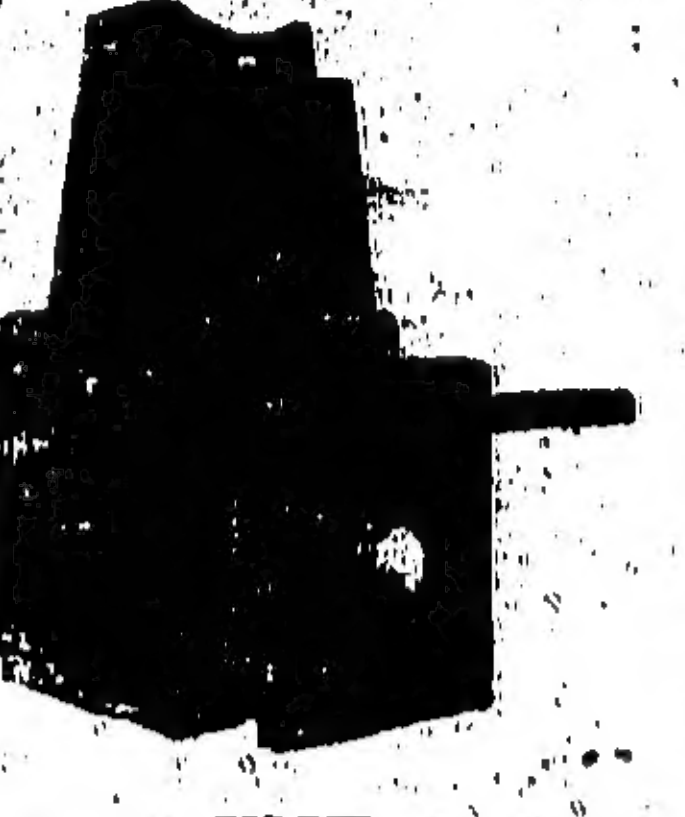
His Worship bound the accused over in the sum of \$100 to come up for sentence if called upon. "I am not sending you to jail because you have been detained a long time," Mr. Lindell said. "He may have helped your wife to leave you but that does not justify you in using a chopper on him. If I have any more trouble I shall send you to jail. You will be sent to the S.C.A., to see if you can come to some arrangement with your wife."

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DENISON, RAM & GIBBS.  
Hong Kong, 19th March, 1927.

#### NOTICE.

WE beg to inform the public that hitherto cheques and other negotiable instruments and all other documents, chopped with the chop of our firm and countersigned by our Manager, Mr. Pun Yat Kai only, were recognized and admitted by us. Mr. Pun Yat Kai, however, being now unable to reside permanently in Hong Kong owing to business affairs abroad, WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that on and after this date our firm will recognize and admit all cheques and other negotiable instruments and all other documents chopped with the chop of our firm and countersigned by either the said Mr. Pun Yat Kai or our Treasurer, Mr. Woo Pak Fong, and we shall not be responsible for or recognize any documents otherwise executed.

Dated the 18th day of March, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

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E. A. LEGGATT,  
Superintendent.  
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

#### NOTICES.

##### GANDE, PRICE & CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Ice House Street, (St. George's Building) on WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1927, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 30th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

C. BOND,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 22nd March, 1927.

##### THE BRITISH LEGION.

Hong Kong & China Branch.

THE 6TH GENERAL MEETING will be held at 5.15 p.m. on THURSDAY, 24th inst., in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

#### BUSINESS:

To receive the Report and Accounts for the year 1926.

To elect Officers.  
R. E. CABLE,  
Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.  
Hong Kong, 21st March, 1927.

##### HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 26th March, 1927, commencing at 2.15 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.50 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. for all persons including Ladies.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5, each up to FRIDAY, 25th March, 1927.

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By Order,  
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Hong Kong, 22nd March, 1927.

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Hong Kong.  
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

##### THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, 25th March, 1927, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 29th March, 1927 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors.  
R. M. DYER,  
Chief Manager.  
Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

#### NOTICES.

##### HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held in the Office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1927, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
S. COURTNEY COOK,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1927.

##### THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road, Central Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,  
LOOK POONG SHAM,  
Chief Manager.  
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

##### THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,  
General Managers,  
Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.  
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

#### NOTICES.

##### A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th March, 1927, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th day of March, to MONDAY, the 28th day of March, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

##### THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.  
J. D. THOMSON,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927.

##### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### THE 38TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1927, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

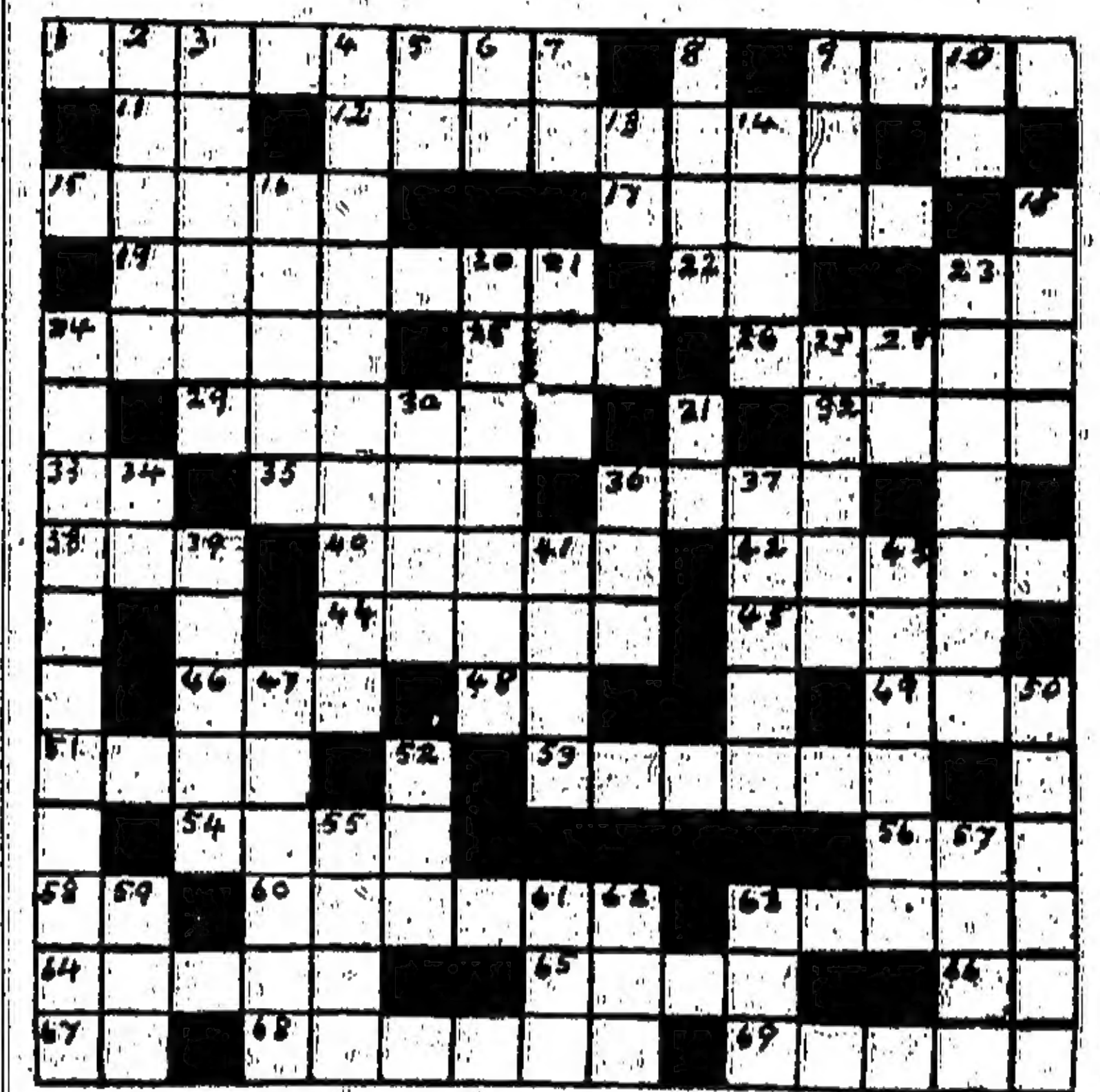
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

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5. Entries must reach the office of the "China Mail" not later than the time and date for closing announced on the coupon.
6. No responsibility is accepted for loss or delay in the post. All letters should be registered and/or sealed.
7. The prize of \$50 must be won and will be awarded for an all correct or nearest correct solution. In the event of ties the \$50 will be divided. No competitor may win more than one share of the prize in each competition.
8. The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into correspondence regarding the Competition.
10. Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
11. Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
12. All letters must be addressed, "China Mail" Cross-words, c/o "China Mail" Offices, No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.
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- | Clues Across.  | Clues Down.                                   |
|--|---|
| 1. A long picture or writing in silk, that rolls up (Jap.) | 2. Ill use.                                   |
| 3. To grasp.   | 3. An upper garment.                          |
| 11. Prefix meaning "Twice" or "Double."                    | 4. A salad dressing.                          |
| 12. Magazine for military stores.                          | 5. Alternative.                               |
| 15. Pierce.  | 6. NS (actual).                               |
| 17. Sombrero guano.  | 7. OE (actual).                               |
| 19. Bent down.   | 8. To mix small.                              |
| 22. Exclamation of joy.                                    | 9. HST (actual).                              |
| 23. To proceed.  | 10. Number abbreviated.                       |
| 24. A large watery fruit.                                  | 13. Word of denial.                           |
| 25. A point.   | 14. A limestone.                              |
| 29. Solis.   | 15. Unbound.                                  |
| 29. The right of first choice belonging to the eldest.     | 16. To fling heedlessly.                      |
| 32. Lengthens.   | 20. To confine.                               |
| 33. Sixth note in scale.                                   | 21. A snail employed in a dairy.              |
| 35. A peer of the realm.                                   | 22. CREAMY (actual).                          |
| 36. A tap for liquor.                                      | 24. First pers. sing. of verb "To Be."        |
| 38. Printer's measure (plural).                            | 26. CBA (actual).                             |
| 40. To form as an orb.                                     | 27. A thin silk.                              |
| 42. To stir up.  | 28. The wing case of a beetle.                |
| 44. A genus of moths.                                      | 31. Tears open.                               |
| 45. An eagle's nest.                                       | 32. The muse of astronomy.                    |
| 46. A period of years.                                     | 37. Severe spasmodic pains in the intestines. |
| 48. Electro-Plate (abbrev).                                | 50. To send away.                             |
| 49. The yarn for a weaver's warp.                          | 52. Consumed.                                 |
| 51. To cry like an owl.                                    | 53. First.                                    |
| 54. Prescribed foodstuff.                                  | 57. To close.                                 |
| 58. ISN (actual).  | 59. A camel's hair garment.                   |
| 58. IA (actual).   | 61. A loath on a wheel.                       |
| 60. To crowd.  | 62. A town in Gambiageshire.                  |
| 63. Ode of the irregular Turkish cavalry.                  | 63. SEP (actual).                             |
| 64. Treble reed musical instruments.                       |   |
| 65. A Greek spoutless vase or jug.                         |   |
| 66. NA (actual).   |   |
| 68. Heavily built.   |   |
| 69. An inlet of the sea.                                   |   |

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE via Manila &amp; Port.

TANGO MARU	Wednesday, 23rd March, at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU	Wednesday, 20th April.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

TAKETOYO MARU	Thursday, 24th March.
MAEBASHI MARU	Monday, 4th April.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said &amp; Port.

LIMA MARU	Monday, 11th April.
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HAKATA MARU	Saturday, 26th March.
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GENOA MARU	Sunday, 27th March.
TAMBA MARU	Monday, 11th April.

CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG &amp; RANGOON.

CEYLON MARU	Friday, 1st April.
MALACCA MARU	Friday, 8th April.

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TOMIURA MARU	Sunday, 27th March.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU	Saturday, 23rd April.
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The reports rendered by H.M. ships of signalling practices with merchant vessels for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1926, shows that for the third quarter in succession a ship in China heads the Fleet in order of merit, but whereas it was the "Vindictive" on the two previous occasions, it is now the flag-ship, "Hawkins." Her total was 164.

The "Delhi" came second with 52; the "Emerald," third with 46; and the "Benbow" (Atlantic Fleet), "Durban" (China), and "Cornflower" (Red Sea) each reported 45. First place on the mercantile side was taken by the British Tanker Co., Ltd., with 81 successful exorcises; the British India Steam Navigation Co. being second with 79; and the P. and O. Co. third with 76; while the Ellerman Lines and the China Navigation Co. tied with 69 each.

## SHIPS IN PORT.

This morning there were 73 ocean-going merchant vessels in Hong Kong harbour, of which number 25 fly the British flag. During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day there were 19 arrivals (8 British) and 16 departures (3 British).

## COOK'S STRIKE OVER.

The local office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has been informed that the strike of cooks on the company's vessels is now over and that the boats concerned have sailed again.

One of the 273 women deck passengers on the Dutch s.s. "Van Hentz" gave birth to a daughter during the ship's voyage here from Delhi in the East Indies.

Coming here from Pakhol, the French s.s. "Raymond Polnears" reported the death while the ship was at sea of Mr. Tong Pak-cheung, a Chinese passenger, yesterday.

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## "HANOI" PIRACY.

SUSPECT REMANDED UNTIL TUESDAY.

The alleged "Hanoi" pirate was again before Mr. Lindsell at the Magistrate's court this morning. Chief Detective Inspector Murphy applied for another week's remand to enable the Police to find a man who could say that when accused visited him a month before the piracy he did not have any of the jewellery, clothing, overcoats, etc., of good quality which he brought on the second visit a few days before his arrest.

The Inspector added that he thought that the Police had collected sufficient evidence to have the accused committed.

The Magistrate: Oh, yes, enough to send him before a jury. The Inspector: Of course, if the papers from the French authorities arrive in the meantime we would have to alter the procedure.

His Worship granted a remand until 10 a.m. on Tuesday next.

## SLOGAN FOR PORT.

MANCHESTER CANAL CHIEF'S SUGGESTION.

The first post-war annual banquet of the Manchester Steamship Owners' Association was held at the Midland Adelphi Hotel, Manchester. Among the apologies for non-attendance there was one from Lieut.-Col. W. H. Stott, M.P., who was too unwell to travel to Manchester to speak to one of the toasts.

Mr. E. Latimer, managing-director of the Manchester Ship Canal Company, had hoped to be present, but was out of the country.

Mr. Theodore Fischer, of Messrs. Fisher, Junker and Co., and Swedish Consul at Manchester, presided over a large attendance.

Mr. H. M. Gibson, chief superintendent of the Manchester Ship Canal Co., in proposing the Manchester Steamship Owners' Association, said the association was formed in 1894, when the total tonnage of cargo in and out of the canal in 1894 was less than one million tons, while last year it was six million eight hundred thousand. As to the prospects for the future it seemed to him that they were back to normal as regards manufacturing, but they were not back to normal in the carrying trade, which meant that since the war some of the countries were using goods which they did not manufacture before the war.

He advocated the placing in prominent places in Manchester the following slogan:-

Let's all use our own port, the near port, the best port; The more we use our own port, the more prosperous are we; For my port is your port, and your port is my port, And the more we use our own port, the more prosperous we will be.

## LINERS CHANGE HANDS.

The White Star Line have bought from the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company the liners "Ohio" (19,000 tons) and the "Orea" (18,000 tons). They will be renamed "Alberta" and "Calgarie" and will trade between Liverpool and Canada during the coming spring.

## PASSENGER LIST.

## ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong on March 21 by s.s. "President Cleveland" from Manila were:- Miss H. L. Ankeny, Mrs. E. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown, Miss C. M. Bartlett, Mr. J. C. Black, Miss M. Clement, Rev. I. Cordero, Miss E. F. Cooper, Miss G. Davis, Miss L. Grammino, Mrs. Foster, Miss L. Honokendoff, Mr. J. C. Hirosh, Mr. A. G. Henderson, Mr. R. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. P. Miss D. and Mrs. E. F. and P. Jones, Miss L. C. and Mr. L. H. Jordan, Miss E. S. Jennings, Miss Edna Jones, Miss E. L. Johnson, Miss M. A. Johnson, Mr. Lim Uy-kong, Master C. Lane, Mr. B. A. Louis, Mr. H. V. Lacy, Master H. A. Lacy, Mrs. H. S. Moore, Mr. B. Moore, Miss E. H. N. Oettinger, Mr. F. A. Raguda, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Smith, Mrs. M. H. Sheeks, Mr. S. Tatsumi, Mr. G. Van Trionhoven, Mrs. W. Weinzenheimer, Master K. Weinzenheimer, Miss M. E. Wilson, Mr. Chin Woo, Miss A. A. Wilcox.

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## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The E. I. s.s. "Janus" left Singapore for this port on March 16, p.m., and is due here to-morrow, p.m. The E. I. s.s. "Teesta" left Singapore for this port on March 18, p.m., and is due here on March 25, a.m. The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Yokohama on March 18, and is due at Vancouver on March 27.

The P. & O. s.s. "Gogra" left Singapore for this port on March 20, at 6 p.m., and is due here on March 27, at about 7 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Beneluch" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on March 27. The m.v. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on March 17, and is due here on or about April 28.

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EMPIRE OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPIRE OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPIRE OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPIRE OF ASIA	July 11	July 15	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPIRE OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21
EMPIRE OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 11

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HAWAII MARU ..... Friday, 8th April.

LA PLATA MARU ..... Thursday, 5th May.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

SUMATRA MARU ..... Sunday, 20th March.

HONOLULU MARU ..... Tuesday, 19th April.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

MEXICO MARU ..... Sunday, 1st May.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

BINGO MARU ..... Monday, 28th March.

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HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOV &amp; PAKHOI. Thursday, 14th April.

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JAMBANGAN	Arrival	Sunday	March 20	5 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Departure	Monday	March 21	5 a.m.
JESSELTON	Arrival	Tuesday	March 22	2 p.m.
HONG KONG	Departure	Wednesday	March 23	5 a.m.
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DEVANMA	8,356	16th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
ALPORA	8,273	2nd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
DELTA	8,007	27th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
MALWA	10,041	30th April	Marseilles and London
NELLORE	8,563	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
KHIVA	7,135	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	25th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MORCA	10,514	28th May	Marseilles & London
KASHMIR	8,005	13th June	Marseilles and London
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TALMA	10,000	30th April	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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LAHORE	5,252	27th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
GOGRA	5,181	27th March	Shanghai
MALWA	10,040	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTA	8,007	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TILAWA	10,000	2nd April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka
ARAFURA	8,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
TALMA	10,000	6th April	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
JEPPORE	7,648	12th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLORE	8,563	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHIVA	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	20th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MORCA	10,514	20th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TANDA	6,000	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama

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## SAILINGS RESUMED.

CHINA MERCHANTS' CO.'S  
DECISION.

OFFICERS RE-ENGAGED.

Shanghai, March 10.  
At a meeting of the Board of  
Directors of the China Merchants'  
S. N. Co., held on Tuesday evening,  
it was decided that the company  
should resume the sailing of its  
vessels on whatever runs that are  
possible within as short a period as  
possible.

According to a member of the  
Board who was interviewed by a  
representative of the "North-China  
Daily News" yesterday afternoon,  
the China Merchants would resume  
its sailings to Ningpo, Tientsin,  
Chefoo and Wenchow within a few  
days. The seamen's strike having  
ended and the men having returned  
to their posts, the company was  
re-engaging a number of the foreign  
officers whose services were dis-  
pensable with recently. Vessels  
were being overhauled and it would  
not be long before the regular sail-  
ings to the places mentioned would  
be resumed.

Owing to the commandeering of  
vessels on the Yangtze River run,  
five of which (the Kiangsu, the  
Kiangsi, the Kiangyue, the  
Kiangwah and the Kiangnan) were  
still in the hands of the Allied  
military authorities, the manage-  
ment did not think that it was prac-  
ticable to resume this run at the  
present time.

So far as the services to Canton,  
Swatow and Foochow were concern-  
ed, the Seamen's Union had consented  
to return the vessels which they  
seized and services would be resumed  
in the near future.

## "LUTINE BELL"

MYSTERY OF A MISSING  
STEAMER.

A dramatic rise and fall in re-  
insurance rates on the Greek steam-  
er "Odysseus" (5,527 tons), which  
is missing in the Mediterranean,  
marked the proceedings at Lloyd's.  
Efforts to establish wireless com-  
munication with her have failed.

The "Odysseus" is bound from  
Novorossiysk, Black Sea, for Antwerp  
with a cargo of Russian grain. The  
fact that she was overdue was  
known at Lloyd's and inquiries  
showed that so far as could be  
ascertained, she had not passed  
Gibraltar. Thirty guineas per cent.  
was quoted for reinsurance  
against total loss, and the rate  
quickly rose until 80 guineas per  
cent. had been reached.

The famous "Lutine" bell  
which is rung as soon as definite  
news reaches Lloyd's of the safety  
and position of a vessel overdue,  
sounded, and the crier announced  
from his rostrum that a wireless  
message had been received from the  
master of the Danish steamer "Erik  
Boye" that his wireless operator  
had heard the "Odysseus's" call  
signal at 10 o'clock that morning.  
This report was taken to mean that  
the two vessels had been in com-  
munication, and the reinsurance  
rate fell to 40 guineas per cent.,  
until it was realised that the call  
might have been one sent out in  
the hope of finding the missing  
vessel.

The mystery remained unsolved,  
and the reinsurance rate closed at  
50 guineas per cent.—evens.

## LOW OUTPUT FOR CLYDE.

London, Feb. 27.

The Clyde shipbuilding output  
for February was the lowest on  
record, only 14 crafts, mostly small,  
being launched.

The total for the first two months  
of the current year was only 13,000  
tons, compared with 50,000 tons for  
January and February last year.

Nevertheless, the outlook is im-  
proving as a gratifying number of  
new orders recently were booked.

## HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has  
been obtained by aid of the Tide  
predicting Machine, which is  
prediction of tides from the re-  
cords of 40 components for the bette-  
suit of the analysis of the tide  
observations, taken at the Kaulung  
tidal observatory under the direc-  
tion of Dr. Dobereck during the  
years 1887, 1888, and 1889.

The times and heights are given  
for Kaulung; but they may be used  
for the Victoria Naval yard and  
Aberdeen, the differences being  
very small.

The times of high and low water  
must not be considered to coincide  
with the times of slack water and  
change of current, the  
phenomena being quite distinct.

March 18 to 24, 1927.

DATE	High Water	Low Water
March	Standard Time	Standard Time
Mon. 18	10 10	5 30
Tues. 19	10 30	5 50
Wed. 20	10 50	6 10
Thurs. 21	11 10	6 30
Fri. 22	11 30	6 50
Sat. 23	11 50	7 10
Sun. 24	12 10	7 30

## GERMAN BUILDING.

HAMBURG SHIPYARDS: BIG  
FUSION.

REPLY TO BREMEN TRUST.

Berlin, Jan. 26.

The important negotiations that  
have been going on for some time  
past between the great Elbe ship-  
building firm, the Deutsche Werft,  
on the one hand, and the State of  
Hamburg and the Reihersstieg Com-  
pany on the other, with regard to  
a fusion of the two shipbuilding  
concerns, have now, to the immense  
relief of Hamburg shipping and  
shipbuilding circles, ended in a  
satisfactory agreement between the  
Elbe firms. The danger is thus  
averted that the Bremen shipbuild-  
ing trust, at the head of which are  
the Weser yards and the banking  
house of Schroeder, after having  
already got a footing in Hamburg  
through their fusion with the Ham-  
burg Vulcan yards, should extend  
their operations on the Elbe. The  
action of the Bremen Trust is re-  
garded in Hamburg almost in the  
light of an invasion.

By the new arrangement the  
sphere of the Bremen Trust in  
Hamburg has now been effectively  
isolated, and the tactics of the  
Trust have been frustrated. To  
bring about this result, the Ham-  
burg State has given generous finan-  
cial support to the new fusion,  
which will henceforth be known as  
the Reihersstieg-Deutsche Werft  
Company.

Under this new scheme the boards  
of management of the two under-  
takings have agreed that the dock-  
ing and repairing works belonging  
to the Deutsche Werft at Tollerort,  
a little below Hamburg, shall be  
removed to the Reihersstieg yards.  
The capital of the Reihersstieg yards  
is to be raised from M. 1,500,000 to  
M. 3,500,000, the new shares being  
taken over by the Deutsche Werft.  
It is important to note that the  
Pinkenwerder yards of the  
Deutsche Werft will not be affected  
by the above agreement, and that  
these yards will continue work as  
a separate and independent under-  
taking.

## Improving Navigation.

The removal of the Deutsche  
Werft's works from Tollerort and  
the complete liberation of this area  
releases the Hamburg harbour  
authorities from the serious naviga-  
tional dilemma in which they had  
got themselves by allowing the  
Deutsche Werft to build yards at  
this bend of the river. The evacua-  
tion of the Tollerort area will make  
it possible to regulate the Elbe  
channel. The numerous accidents  
and collisions that have taken place  
between this spot and the  
Kuhwaerder Haven have clearly  
shown the impossibility of contin-  
uing the present arrangement. Had  
the Deutsche Werft, which has a  
lease of the Tollerort area that has  
still 32 years to run, yielded to the  
tempting offers made by the Bremen  
Trust, the position would have be-  
come intolerable for Hamburg.

The Hamburg State, the  
owner of the site in ques-  
tion, in order to forestall this dan-  
ger, has now agreed to grant the  
Deutsche Werft the sum of  
M. 3,000,000 as compensation for  
relinquishing its lease. In this  
connection, the Hamburg State has  
received in return certain rights to  
construct new docks at Finken-  
werder on land now in the hands  
of the Deutsche Werft. Nothing  
definite has yet been divulged as to  
the details of this part of the agree-  
ment come to between Hamburg and  
the Deutsche Werft.

The Bremen Group seems to have  
done its utmost to come to an  
arrangement with the Deutsche  
Werft, even going so far as to offer  
the Deutsche Werft a leading posi-  
tion in the trust. The recent or-  
ders for new vessels given by the  
Hapag to the Deutsche Werft helped  
to stiffen the resistance of the  
Hamburg company against any  
inclination it may have had to throw  
in its lot with the ambitious Bremen  
Trust.

The Deutsche Werft's 8000-ton  
repairing dock that has hitherto  
been stationed at Tollerort will be  
the more welcome at the Reihersstieg  
Werft, whither it is now to be re-  
moved, seeing that the Reihersstieg's  
20,000-ton dock was sold to Holland  
when Metzler & Freytag took over  
the Reihersstieg works last year.  
An arrangement between the  
Deutsche Werft and the Reihersstieg  
was the more feasible, as there was  
never any real rivalry between the  
two firms, the Deutsche Werft's  
activities being concerned in the  
main with the building of big motor  
ships, while the Reihersstieg was  
chiefly interested in repairing work.  
By taking over the repairing docks  
of the Deutsche Werft, the Reihers-  
stieg expects to benefit in no small  
measure from its new connection.

## Fusion Tactics.

The transaction is interesting not  
only as a measure of self-defence  
undertaken by Hamburg against the  
threatened encroachment of  
Bremen, but also from the point of  
view of fusion tactics in the ship-  
building industry. The original  
proposal was that all the Hamburg  
shipbuilding yards should combine  
for the purpose of fighting the Bre-  
men shipbuilding trust. The most  
important Hamburg shipbuilding  
firm, that of Blohm & Voss, was,  
however, opposed from the outset to  
such fusion, firstly, because the firm  
is a purely family concern, and  
having anything to do with any  
secondly, because it is well provided  
with orders through its close con-  
nection with the Hamburg America  
Line and the Hamburg South

America Shipping Company, so that  
it would only stand to lose by  
directly participating in a general  
combine. Blohm & Voss has never-  
theless given its benevolent support  
to the Reihersstieg-Deutsche Werft  
fusion in order to block the exten-  
sion of Bremen's influence on the  
Elbe.

The "Hamburgische Boersen-  
halle" points out that the shipbuild-  
ing crisis can now be regarded as  
a thing of the past, and as the big  
shipping companies have lately seen  
their way clear to place extensive  
new orders, there is no longer any  
necessity for individual firms to  
consider the need for a general fu-  
sion in an industry so little adapted  
to such a process.

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s.  
"General Metzinger" are reminded  
that claims must be sent to the  
Agent before March 25 or they will  
not be recognised.  
Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Asia"  
undelivered after March 26 will be  
reminded that goods remaining  
subject to rent.

## CONSIGNEES.

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THE M/S  
"ASIA"  
having arrived, Consignees of cargo  
are hereby informed that all goods  
are being landed and placed at their  
risk into the hazardous and/or  
extra-hazardous Godowns of The  
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf &  
Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery  
can be obtained as soon as the goods  
are landed.

No claims will be admitted after  
the goods have left the Godowns,  
and all goods remaining undeliver-  
ed after the 26th of March, 1927,  
4 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged  
goods are to be left in the Godown,  
where they will be examined by  
Messrs. Anderson & Ashe on the  
25th of March, 1927, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel  
must be presented to the Under-  
signed before the 28th of March,  
1927, or they will not be recognised.  
No Fire Insurance will be  
effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-  
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Hong Kong, 22nd March, 1927.

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exception of Opium, Treasure and  
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stored into the Godowns of the  
HONG KONG KOWLOON WHARF  
& GODOWN CO., LTD., KOW-  
LOON, whence delivery may be  
obtained immediately after landing.  
All claims must be sent in to me  
on or before SATURDAY, the 25th  
instant or they will not be re-  
cognised.

DAMAGED PACKAGES will be  
examined by the Company's Sur-  
veyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas  
in the presence of the Consignees  
at 10 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the  
23rd March, 1927.

No Fire Insurance will be effected  
by us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE,

Agent.

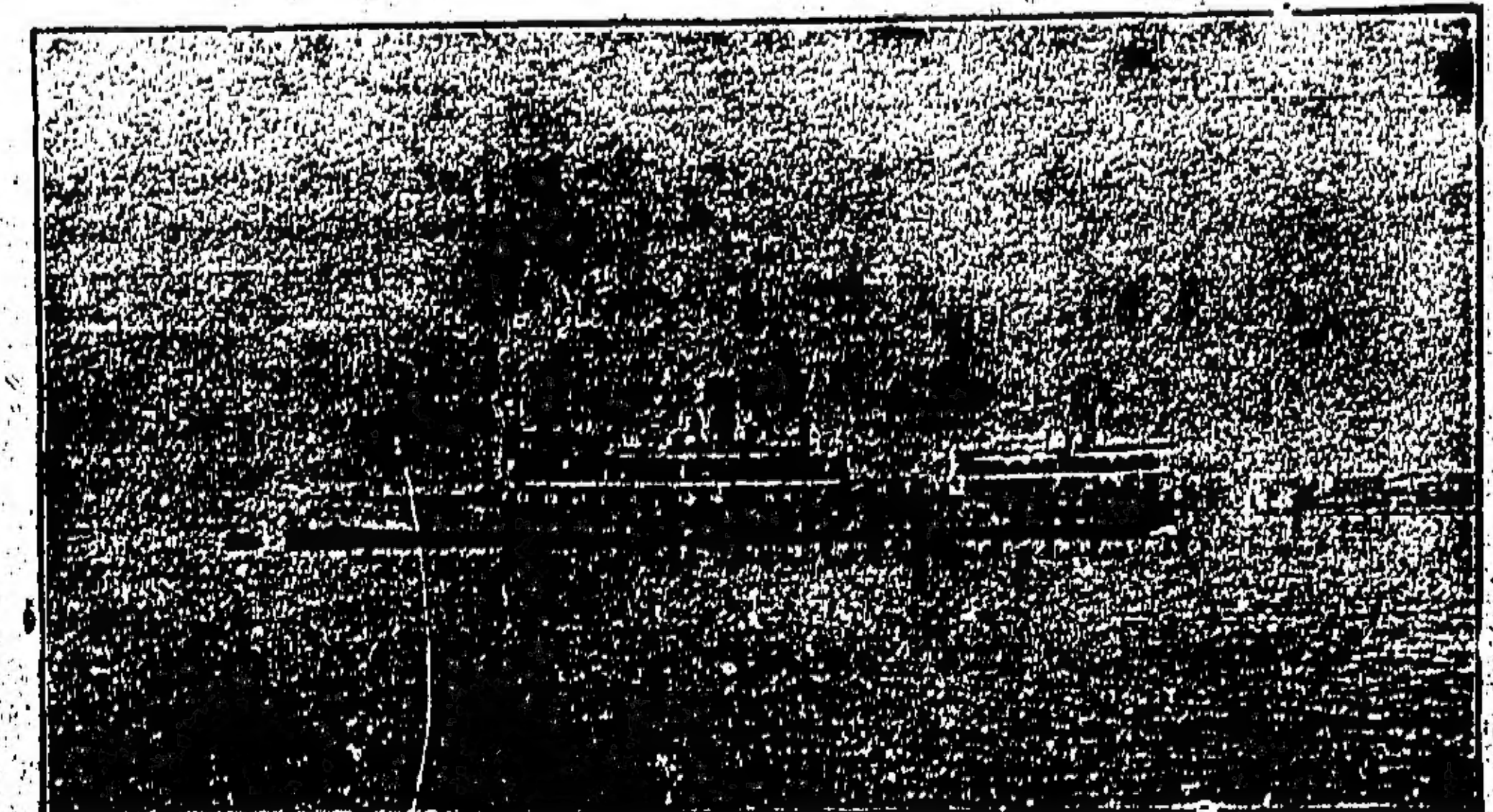
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### BIRTHS.

**BLANFORD.**—On March 2, 1927, at  
Newchwang, South Manchuria,  
to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Blanford,  
of the Asiatic Petroleum Co.,  
a daughter.

**MERIAN.**—On March 14, 1927, at  
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J.  
Merian, a daughter.

### MARRIAGE.

**JOHNSON-REID.**—On March 14,  
1927, at Singapore, Beryl  
Blanche Reid of Shanghai, to  
Frank Ashton Johnson, of  
Soebang, Java.

### DEATHS.

**BENHAM.**—On February 12, 1927,  
at Aldershot, Elizabeth, wife of  
the late Thomas Benham, of  
South Farborough, Hants, and  
some time of Leamington Spa,  
aged 88 years.

**HARMON.**—On March 9, 1927, at  
Tientsin, Mary, wife of Frank  
Harmon.

**RICH.**—On March 14, 1927, at  
Shanghai, Richard F. Rich,  
Revenue Department, S.M.C.,  
aged 31 years.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, March 22, 1927.

### EYES ON SHANGHAI.

All eyes are centred on Shang-  
hai now that it has actually been  
occupied by the Southerners. As-  
surances have been forthcoming  
already that there is no in-  
tention to take the International  
Settlement by force. A promise  
has also been given that the Na-  
tionalist Army will protect in  
full measure the life and property  
of foreign residents, and the  
schools, churches, and hospitals  
of foreign ownership within and  
without Settlement limits. It  
might be politic to accept such  
assurances in the spirit in which  
they have been given by General  
Ho Ying-yun, Commander-in-  
Chief of the Southern Army in  
Chekiang. Unfortunately recent  
history elsewhere cannot but  
make us sceptical of the power of  
either the Commander-in-Chief or  
the Nationalist Government to  
carry such assurances into effect,  
however willing they may be. If  
the critics will say, and not with-  
out reason, the mob in Hankow  
was permitted to get out of hand,  
what security is there for foreign  
lives and property in Shanghai in

### SURVEYING CLASS.

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as possible with Mr. Ahmed, at the  
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the end of a complete course of 8  
months.)

## CUSTOMS AND CHINA.

A Notable Record of  
Stewardship.

### FOREIGNERS' ASSISTANCE.

A striking record of the manner  
in which the honesty and integrity  
of the Chinese Customs servants  
has kept China solvent throughout  
the years, especially since the Re-  
volution, is contained in a report  
on the collection and disposal of  
the Maritime and Native Customs  
Revenue since the Revolution of  
1911 which has been issued in book  
form.

The report, which also contains  
an account of the loan services ad-  
ministered by the Inspector General  
of Customs, is by Mr. Stanley F.  
Wright, Commissioner of Customs  
and Personal Secretary of the In-  
spector-General, and was written in  
view of the question of Tariff Au-  
tonomy, with the prospect of in-  
creased revenue collection, being  
much to the fore.

It is an account of the steward-  
ship exercised by Sir Francis Aglen  
in pursuance of arrangements sanc-  
tioned by the Chinese Government  
for the due safeguarding of interna-  
tional and national obligations  
secured on the Customs revenue.

### Revenue Collection.

Very considerable work must  
have been entailed in the compila-  
tion of a report which is as com-  
plete as it could possibly be. It  
details the various stages in the  
course of which the revenue col-  
lection, at first insufficient for the  
full service of the foreign  
obligations, has become the  
"security" for a large por-  
tion of China's national debt; the  
authorities in virtue of which the  
loan was accepted and maintained  
have been collated and are here for  
the first time brought together in  
convenient form; and in the Appen-  
dices will be found many useful  
tables in explanation of the work-  
ing of the various loan services.

From its perusal one is made  
aware that beyond a comparatively  
trifling sum for the clerical work  
involved in this custodianship, it has  
cost the Chinese Government no-  
thing; while large sums of interest,  
accruing from balances awaiting  
disbursement at the meeting of loan  
payments, have been utilised for  
maintaining credit or have been  
placed at the disposal of the Chi-  
nese Government for special pur-  
poses.

The book constitutes the strongest  
possible reply to those who regard  
foreign control of the Customs as  
undesirable, if not actually unjust,  
and it must always be borne in  
mind that China has pledged the  
revenues of her Customs service as  
security for money borrowed from  
foreigners and from these revenues  
the interest is paid, and foreign con-  
trol of the Customs is the only safe-  
guard China's creditors have.

Without it, China's financial in-  
tegrity would sink to the level of  
the bankrupt and the revenues  
would be at the mercy of unscrupu-  
lous position-seekers and oppor-  
tunists who since the Revolution  
have had the run of official appoint-  
ments without the wrath of an Em-  
peror.

### Pre-Revolution Days.

Prior to the Revolution the In-  
spector General exercised no direct  
control over the revenue further  
than to arrange through his Com-  
missioners at the various Treaty  
Ports for the correct assessment,  
according to tariff rates of Customs  
duties and duties and for the ac-  
counting to the Government of the  
amounts thus assessed. In view of  
the danger subsequent to the Revo-  
lution of revolutionary leaders  
seizing for their own ends the  
Customs revenue collected in their  
provinces—and the attempts which  
were made in many instances with-  
out reference to Peking—the col-  
lecting of revenue at all ports was  
placed under the control of the  
Inspector General and in his hands  
was also entrusted the task of se-  
curing that all obligations secured on  
that revenue were duly met.

Under this guidance, over a hun-  
dred million pounds of China's for-  
eign debt has been liquidated dur-  
ing the last fifteen years and of two  
hundred and eighty-two million dol-  
lars domestic debt. It is evidence  
of prudent stewardship which seeks  
the security not of the common weal  
or party but of the common weal  
and the same seeking of the best  
interests of the people as a whole  
is seen in the nation-wide scope of  
the various institutions and enter-  
prises which are detailed in the  
book as having had financial assis-  
tance extended to them from Customs revenue.

### Developing China.

Such objects include plague pre-  
vention and quarantine services for  
grappling with epidemics which, if  
not held in check, might devastate  
half a continent; the building on an  
extensive scale of river dykes to  
control floods and thus stay the de-  
struction of property and the ravages  
of famine; the removal of bars and  
the deepening and training of river  
channels to facilitate trade and  
navigation; the carrying out of sur-  
veys of China's coast and water-  
ways and many other objects con-  
cerned with the preservation of the  
country's rights and the develop-  
ment of her resources.

The book bears tribute to the  
manner in which the aim has been  
steadily kept in view of maintaining  
national honour at home and abroad  
and to help in creating a firm finan-  
cial footing on which China's  
Government in the future can

## SEEING IN THE DARK.

WOMEN WITNESSES' OBDRATE  
CLAIMS.

### REBUKE BY MAGISTRATE.

The two Chinese arrested in con-  
nection with the armed robbery in  
Wongneichong village on March 14  
were charged before Mr. R. E.  
Lindsall yesterday afternoon.

Evidence was given by the aged  
mistress of the raided matched, the  
first one on entering Wongneichong  
valley. She was awakened by loud  
knockings on the door about 1 a.m.  
As she went out to investigate, she  
saw four men enter by a window.  
Two went into her married son's  
cubicle while the other two drove  
her into the other cubicle occupied  
by herself and her daughter. One  
man went through her pockets and  
took \$25 in notes. He also seized  
her of a pair of earrings. She did  
not see any of the men carry weap-  
ons, but two of them had torch  
lights.

The daughter said she was seized  
in bed and relieved of a gold bangle,  
a jade bangle and a pair of gold  
earrings with jade drops. One of  
the men seized her by the throat  
when she attempted to shout and in  
the struggle which followed she fell  
underneath the bed where the rob-  
ber lost grip of her throat. She  
lost no time in crying out "robber"  
and "save life." This scared the  
robbers and they bolted. She also  
did not see any weapon in the men's  
hands.

The old woman's daughter-in-law  
said two men entered her cubicle.  
One had an electric torch and the  
other a chopper. They "blinded"  
her of a pair of gold-mounted rat-  
tan bangles. Just then her sister-  
in-law raised the alarm and the  
robbers bolted.

The last witness's husband said  
he recognised the chopper in one  
of the robbers' hands as his own  
men's chopper which was kept in the  
cook house. As soon as the rob-  
bers bolted after the alarm was  
raised, witness jumped out of bed  
and followed them. At the door,  
he saw one of the robbers drop the  
chopper. The robbers divided. Two  
went down the valley and the other  
two ran up the hill. Witness fol-  
lowed the latter two. They were  
well up the hill before the other vil-  
lagers joined the chase. The rob-  
bers had nearly completed a circle  
of the village when they were even-  
tually brought to earth. They were  
held in the village until the police  
arrived. The other two robbers got  
clear away.

The evidence of the second and  
fourth witnesses (the daughter and  
son) was given in a straight for-  
ward manner. They both admitted  
they could not identify any of the  
men who entered their matched, as  
the place was in darkness at the  
time. They merely recognised the  
two accused as the strangers who  
were brought back after the chase.  
Neither of the accused lived in the  
village, nor were they seen there  
before.

The Magistrate encountered much  
difficulty, however, in shaking the  
evidence of the old woman and her  
daughter-in-law who both claimed  
to identify the accused as two of  
the four robbers who had raided the  
matched, and actually went into de-  
tails of their movements during the  
raid. It was not until after a lot  
of the Court's time had been wasted,  
and the Magistrate had pointed  
out to them the folly of maintain-  
ing the impossible, which only had  
the effect of weakening their case,  
and might even contribute to the ac-  
cused's discharge, that these wo-  
men eventually admitted their in-  
ability to identify the accused as  
all, let alone to the extent of saying  
what each man actually did during  
the robbery. They just knew the  
accused as the two men who were  
captured after the robbery.

At 5 o'clock Sergeant Rozeksky  
still had six witnesses to call, so  
the Magistrate remanded the ac-  
cused until Friday afternoon next.

### \$12,000 FINE.

**OPIUM FOUND IN ARRIVAL'S  
LUGGAGE.**

A Chinese who had just landed  
from the Wuchow steamer had his  
luggage searched by Revenue Of-  
ficers on the Kwong Leung wharf  
yesterday afternoon. The search  
brought to light 100 taels of non-  
Government opium.

The man was charged before Mr.  
R. E. Lindsall this morning and  
pleaded guilty.

A fine of \$10,000 or in default  
12 months' hard labour was im-  
posed and the opium confiscated.

### HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

A highway robbery took place in  
Samshuiho last night. A Chinese  
was walking in Tan Nan Street at  
7 p.m., when he was tackled from  
behind by two men, one of whom  
was armed with a dagger. He  
struggled violently and was badly  
cut about the hands. The highway-  
men eventually got away with a  
metal watch and a rolled gold chain  
with a coin pendant worth \$12.  
The victim is now in hospital.

A partner of a Wusang Street  
shop has reported to the police that  
another partner absconded on Jan-  
uary 3 last with \$1,586 belonging  
to the firm.

build with safety and security;  
finally to assist whenever and  
wherever possible Chinese agencies  
that work for the welfare and ad-  
vancement of the Chinese people.

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tion—but Heifetz the incompar-  
able. Not merely Heifetz the  
virtuoso, the amazing master of  
technique, but Heifetz the dis-  
tinguished musician. So one  
found him at the first of his re-  
citals here last night. One met  
again the same engaging person-  
ality, radiating youth and vitality,  
the same unassuming but self-  
possessed manner, the same finely  
tempered but firm tone and extra-  
ordinary left hand facility. One  
admired once more the superb  
bow control, the clear cut har-  
monies, the delicate phrasing and  
infinite variety of tone colour, and  
the always perfect understanding  
of the musical subject. The art of  
Heifetz is the product of both  
head and heart. It is a blend of  
keen intellectualism with a well-  
developed artistic temperament,  
the one quality preventing the  
other from developing either into  
the purely scientific or the entire-  
ly emotional. Heifetz is indeed a  
rare combination of virtues! He  
possesses, too, in no mean quan-  
tity the one distinguishing quali-  
fication of the truly great artist—  
the happy ability to hit art  
squarely in the centre.

The programme, if not startling,  
was at least varied. It opened  
with a somewhat florid Chaconne  
of Vivaldi and followed with the  
ever popular Mendelssohn Con-  
certo. The blare of a neighbour-  
ing band to some extent marred  
the first movement, but we were  
compensated in part by the  
Adagio in which—whatever may  
be said of the work as a whole—  
Mendelssohn does rise to unlooked  
for heights. In this case Heifetz's  
treatment of the movement re-  
vealed beauties of whose existence  
we had never previously guessed.  
The finale, taken at headlong  
speed, was worked up to its  
climax in most arresting and  
spirited style. As the most inter-  
esting of the group of four pieces  
in the second portion of the pro-  
gramme, one would choose an  
exquisite morsel of Debussy, "La  
fille aux cheveux de lin," evident-  
ly much to the liking of the audi-  
ence, for it was repeated upon  
request. The screech of motor car  
brakes here vied for supremacy so  
that the final passage in har-  
monies was entirely spoiled. The  
highly ornamental Caprice No.  
24 (Paganini-Auer), a veritable  
tour de force, enabled the violin-  
ist to exhibit every turn and trick  
of which the instrument is cap-  
able. A stupendous performance  
this and, with the Perpetuum  
Mobile of Ries, executed with all  
the extraordinary precision and  
skill for which Heifetz is famed.  
Mr. Achron accompanied with  
his accustomed sympathy. He is,  
in fact, not only accomplished in  
this direction but as a soloist also,  
as those who heard him play  
some years ago in Shanghai will  
agree.

The lack of programmes was  
keenly felt and would have caused  
a sad test of musical memory if  
it had not been for the welcome  
announcements from the stage.  
Judging from the packed and  
enthusiastic house, we shall  
soon (?) have cause to con-  
gratulate ourselves in Hong Kong  
upon our musical taste which, like  
that of the New Yorker, does not  
prevent a just appreciation also of  
jazz!

—H. L. W.

## COLONY'S HEALTH.

TEN MORE CASES OF SMALL  
POX NOTIFIED.

### THREE DEATHS LAST WEEK.

Ten cases of small pox, five in the  
Victoria district and five in Old and  
New Kowloon, were reported in yester-  
day's return of notifiable  
diseases. All ten were Chinese.  
Yesterday's return also included  
two cases of diphtheria, one Portu-  
guese and the other Chinese, and  
one case of cerebro-spinal fever,  
Chinese.

Last week there were fourteen  
cases of small pox, nine in the Vi-  
ctoria district, four in Old and New  
Kowloon, and one in Aberdeen.  
Twelve of the cases were Chinese  
(one imported) and the other two  
were Malay. Three were fatal.  
Last week there were also five  
cases of enteric fever, three in the  
Victoria district, one in Old and  
New Kowloon, and one in Shaui-  
wan. They were all Chinese, one  
being imported. There were two  
deaths.

One case of puerperal fever,  
Chinese, completed last week's  
health return.

### FOR CHILDREN'S BRUISES.

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## MISSING CONSTABLE.

Alleged Bribery Case  
Witness.

## CROWN IN DILEMMA.

There was an unexpected development at the Criminal Sessions this morning in the case in which Wong Chik-sun is charged with offering a bribe to an Indian constable in connection with the seizure of opium on defendant's person (defendant has already been fined for opium possession).

Sir Joseph Kemp, Attorney-General, addressed Mr. Justice Woodhouse on the opening of the case this morning and stated that the Indian constable in question could not be found and the Crown could at present offer no explanation for his absence. The constable had been given the usual monthly leave of twenty-four hours at 8 a.m. yesterday and had not reported back to Police Headquarters. He had no alternative, said Sir Joseph, but to ask for an adjournment.

Mr. F. C. Jenkins (for the defendant) opposed the application and stated that the defendant, who had only come to Hong Kong in connection with the Races had already been subjected to considerable inconvenience. Owing to this unfortunate occurrence he had been detained very considerably and it was necessary that he should return shortly to his home in the country.

His Lordship intimated that he would adjourn the case until 2.15 to enable the Crown to offer some explanation. Failing a satisfactory explanation of the witness's absence or his actual presence he would have to dismiss the case.

Sir Joseph pointed out that some accident might have befallen the man. In the event of the hypothetical explanation that he had been drowned, the Crown might not be in possession of this information for a day or two. Was the Crown therefore to have the case dismissed?

His Lordship said he thought the Crown should be in a position to offer some explanation by 2.15 p.m. Otherwise he would have to dismiss the case.

The jury were requested to attend this afternoon.

## DEATH AT 108.

REMARKABLE FRENCH-  
WOMAN'S CAREER.

France's oldest woman is dead. She was Madame Guillard and her death has taken place at St. Paul, where she spent most of her life. At the age of 108, Madame Guillard had a wonderful old age. After she had reached a century she sang old operatic airs, danced, did simple justice to the meals prepared for her, and was a connoisseur of good wines. She had an extraordinary memory. One of her most cherished memories was when she received from General La Fayette when at ten years of age she offered a bouquet to the hero of American independence, who was making a political tour in Alsace.

Only recently she took a trip to the Riviera. To the last her mind was lucid. She read the news papers without spectacles and took particular interest in political happenings. Last year she was photographed with portraits of the 1927 class, and promised to celebrate with them their release from military service—a promise which, judging from her state of health at the time it was given, there was every probability that she would be able to keep.

## A RECORDER'S PROTEST.

"In the present barbarous state of our law on the subject, I have no alternative but to send you to prison," said the Recorder, Mr. E. C. Hemmerde, K.C., at Liverpool Quarter Sessions, in sentencing James Whitworth, a labourer, aged 40, to a year's hard labour for being an incorrigible rogue.

Mr. Hemmerde added: "I desire once more to make a protest against the barbarous law which compels me to pass these idiotic sentences on people who are really mental cases. It is time something was done to bring our criminal law into line with more civilised European countries."

## DE PINEDO'S FLIGHT.

Manoas, March 21. The Marquis Di Pinedo, the famous Italian aviator, has arrived from Guaymas, thus completing the first and most difficult flight over the Brazilian wildernesses. Ruter's American Service.

A salesman of a rice shop in New Street is alleged to have absconded with \$189 which he collected on behalf of the shop between February 20 and March 14.

## GIRLS AS COOKS.

"AID TO DOMESTIC  
HAPPINESS."

A business girls' course is being started in the department of cookery at the headquarters of the Institute of Hygiene, 28, Portland-place, W., where for some time cookery classes have been conducted but hitherto no special attention has been paid to the business girl. In conversation with a Press representative, Mr. Seymour Harding, the secretary, said so many business girls did not have the time or the facilities for cooking. "They are always busily engaged during the day, so we are starting these courses for them in the evening. Of necessity, when they marry, the majority of them have to step straight from the office stool or the factory to the altar, without having had any serious preparation in the domestic arts, especially in cooking. It might be argued that much domestic unhappiness is due to the absence of this knowledge. We have already about ten business girls on our lists wishing to take the course. We are only waiting for a sufficient number of girls—say, twenty—in order to commence the classes."

The institute has secured as consulting chef M. Paul Ferran, chief

## MARBLE FLAT.

ALABASTER AND BLACK  
GLASS.

There is being prepared in Devonshire House, Piccadilly, W., a large flat which will be like the palace of an idle dream.

This flat—which has 25 rooms, including 6 bathrooms—is on the fourth floor of Devonshire House, and is being decorated by Mr. Oliver Hill, the architect, for the owner.

Details of the decorations, which have apparently been chosen without regard to cost, were given to a reporter by Mr. Hill.

The walls, floor, and ceiling of the dining-room will be of sun-coloured marble from Italy. The table will be of verdite, a dark green marble from Africa, and there will be a sideboard of the same substance. Round the room will stand four lamps of red and golden onyx, with lights glowing in golden onyx bowls. The room will also be lit by lamps glowing through the sun-coloured marble ceiling.

The windows of the room will be of deep yellow Verona marble, engraved with silver, and the doors of oak.

The long gallery of the hall has a green marble floor and walls of black and silver-grey oak. It will

## EGG LAW.

COURT'S ANSWER TO  
PLEA.

"If the Bench can give me a correct definition of a new-laid egg I shall be greatly obliged, because no one has been able to do so yet."

This remark was made by a solicitor at Enfield Police Court defending George Wheeler, an Enfield tradesman, summoned for exposing for sale eggs marked "new-laid" without including in the description the word "imported."

"Of all the orders made to bewilder shopkeepers, the one relating to eggs is the worst," the solicitor added. "A shopkeeper cannot sell imported eggs without so marking them, yet he can sell as new-laid English eggs which have been pickled for 6 months."

A fine of 20s. was imposed.

## SALT FOR THE TEETH

DENTAL ADVICE BY SIR  
HARRY BALDWIN.

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Scene in Hankow, China, showing barter on the British Bund at the Custom House.

chef to the House of Commons, and he visits the institute on Tuesday mornings and gives demonstrations in practical cooking. He instructed about fifty women how to cook and stuff a chicken, the majority were cooks and housewives.

## A BABY IN FLAMES.

How a child received fatal burns while her mother was out at work and her father—a night worker—was asleep, was described at an inquest held at Beckenham on the 23-months-old child of Frederick Ernest Leat, a Post Office worker, of St. Hugh's Road, Anerley.

The father stated that for eight years he had lived with his wife and four children in one room. On the Wednesday, having come home from night duty, he was left with the baby, whom he took to bed with him. About mid-day he was awakened by the baby's screams, and found her standing on a burning easy chair with her night-dresses alight. He assumed that she had picked up a piece of burning paper, and had dropped it on the chair. It was not his wish that his wife went to work. She did so because of the depression of living in one room.

Mrs. Leat agreed with her husband's statement, and said they had tried hard to get a house. "I feel I cannot remain every day in one room," she added.

The coroner recorded a verdict of accidental death, and expressed the hope that for the family's sake the mother would soon succeed in getting more accommodation.

## DOG BITES A COOLIE.

A dog owned by Mr. Chew of No. 11 Castle terrace was yesterday taken to Kennedy Town for observation after having bitten a coolie. The coolie received treatment at the hospital.

## PEDDER BUILDING THEFT.

Mr. Graham Brown, architect, of Pedder Building, top floor, had a Remington portable typewriter stolen from his premises yesterday.

## KEEP IT HANDY.

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be lit by "artificial daylight" from the ceiling.

One of the bedrooms has orange-coloured alabaster walls, an ivory-coloured marble floor, and a partly sun-bath of jade-green marble.

One of the bedrooms will be in the Venetian style, with arched pillars of engraved glass, and a colour scheme of blue, pink, and grey. Another will be panelled in cedar wood.

In the library there will be a mantelpiece of yellow marble and lapis lazuli.

## STRANGE BED-FELLOW.

A BOA-CONSTRUCTOR AS  
COMPANY.

"Wadduwa, Jan. 20. The story of how a youth was saved from a perilous situation by the timely arrival of his fiancée for whom he was waiting, which is said to be the one subject of conversation in Wadduwa is told by a correspondent of the place. He writes:—It appears that a young man, who was keeping an appointment with his fiancée, near a jungle laid himself down to sleep at the long delay to meet him. He awoke to find a boa-constructor resting its head on his body and looking intently at him. The terror-stricken youth remained perfectly still and while he was in this position the girl arrived and with the assistance of villagers whom she hastily summoned the snake was killed. The couple were married two days after."

## WEALTHY SCOTSMAN'S WILL.

Under the will of the late Mr. Edward Clark, a member of the firm of Messrs. R. and R. Clark, printers, Edinburgh, the following sums have been left:—£10,000 each to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary and the Heriot Watt College, Edinburgh, for the purpose of furthering the teaching of typography under the auspices of that college.

A like sum is bequeathed to such institution in London as the trustees may see fit; and a further sum of £10,000 may also be available to endow a printing school for Edinburgh.

£5,000 for Red Cross purposes, £3,000 to St. Cuthbert's Church, Edinburgh, and £1,000 each to the Edinburgh Sick Children's Hospital and the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers. The trustees are directed to distribute the residue among charitable bodies and purposes in Edinburgh or London, it being expressly provided that in doing so the University of Edinburgh may be treated as a charitable purpose.

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COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCED  
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## Entertainments.

March 22—Queen's Theatre: "The General."

March 22—World Theatre: "Revenge of Kriemhild."

March 22—Star Theatre: "The Early Bird," "Loving Lies."

March 22—Jascha Heifetz at the Queen's Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

March 22—Theatre Royal: "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne," 9.15 p.m.

April 1, 2, 4, 8, 9—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," 8.30 p.m.

April 6—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," Matinee, 4.30 p.m.

## Sports.

March 26—First extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at Race Course, Happy Valley.

March 26—Twelfth Annual Sports meeting of H.K. University Athletic Association, University ground, Pokfulam, 2.30 p.m.

## Meetings.

March 23—Fifth annual meeting of H.K. Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

March 23—Sixteenth annual meeting of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., 9, Des Vœux Rd., Ctl., 2.30 p.m.

March 23—Annual meeting of the Assn. of Past & Present Commencement Students of H.K. University in the University Union Hall, 5.15 p.m.

March 26—Thirty-first meeting of the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Rd., noon.

March 26—Forty-second meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.

March 28—Annual meeting of Hong Kong Lawn Tennis, Hong Kong Cricket Club pavilion, 5.30 p.m.

March 28—Fifty-eighth general meeting of H.K. Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.

April 1—Hong Kong Automobile Assn. meeting, Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, 5.30 p.m.

March 29—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., 2, Queen's Bldg., noon.

March 30—Extraordinary meeting of The China Light & Power Co., (1918) Ltd., St. George's Bldg., Charter Road, 2.30 p.m.

March 30—Thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., St. George's Building, 11 a.m.

March 3—Annual meeting of Gande, Price & Co., Ltd., 2, Ice House Street, noon.

## Lammerts Auctions.

March 22—Household furniture will be sold by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at their Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

March 23—Household furniture, at 101, Austin Road, Kowloon will be sold by Messrs. Lammert Bros., 2.45 p.m.

March 23—A valuable collection of postage stamps, will be sold at Messrs. Lammert Bros. Sales Room, 5.15 p.m.

March 28—Household furniture in No. 5, Queen's Garden, May Rd., will be sold at 2.45 p.m.

## Miscellaneous.

March 25—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

March 28—Formation of surveying class by the Hong Kong Technical Institute, at Room 9, Queen's College, 6 p.m.

April 9—Annual dinner of Queen's College Old Boys' Association, College Hall, 8 p.m.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

A collection of postage stamps  
will be auctioned by Messrs. Lam-  
mert Bros. at their Duddell Street  
sales rooms at 5.15 p.m. next Mon-  
day.Fixed at first for Monday  
(March 28), the annual meeting of  
the Hong Kong Automobile Associa-  
tion has been postponed to  
Friday (April 1) at 5.30 p.m. in  
Messrs. Jardine's board room.When the aeroplane carrier  
"Argus" now in Hong Kong har-  
bour passed Malacca about 3.30 in  
the evening to the many natives  
who observed it on the horizon, it  
occasioned great wonder, and many  
and varied were the comments pas-  
sed as to what it might be.Racing men in Siam would ap-  
pear to be working with some  
qualit cattle, judging by the follow-  
ing comments on a recent race  
meeting in Bangkok:—"Rosary"  
seems to have added many more  
beads to her string, and her ob-  
session seems to be stopping on the  
way to count them. Mr. Percy Vere  
is to be congratulated on having  
rightly named his griffin Stagger  
Home. If all the others should die  
Stagger Home might possibly win  
a race.Says a Shanghai paper: A Scot-  
tish lady, who took her four-year-  
old pride to see the S.V.C. parade  
last Sunday, asked him, when the  
last unit had passed, "Well, and  
which do you like best?" Of  
course, she hoped the wee bit man-  
nie, with all the pride of a long  
line from the hills running strong  
in him, would make sturdy answer  
that none bore comparison with the  
Shanghai Scottish, and she all but  
swooned when he said in a tired  
voice, "Mumme, I like the one in  
glasses the best."Over two hundred members of  
the Royal Society for the Preven-  
tion of Cruelty to Animals have  
signed a requisition asking for an  
extraordinary general meeting to  
discuss a resolution in favour of  
proceeding vigorously with the  
campaign against the export of  
horses for butchery. The resolu-  
tion also asks that a special depart-  
ment of the R.S.P.C.A. shall be  
formed for this purpose and Miss  
A. M. F. Cole appointed as or-  
ganiser. The Council must call an  
extraordinary general meeting when  
requested to do so by a hundred  
and fifty members, so the only ques-  
tion now is what date will be chosen  
to discuss this extremely important  
subject. It is a matter that cannot  
be delayed.An Oxford cinema has been  
placed out of bounds to undergrad-  
uates on the ground that rowdiness  
has occurred there.The Association of Past and  
Present Commercial Students of the  
Hong Kong University are  
holding their annual general meet-  
ing in the University Union Hall  
to-morrow at 5.15 p.m.During excavation in a bunker  
at Musselburgh golf course the  
skeleton of a man was laid bare. A  
doctor who examined the bones  
states that the skeleton must have  
been where found for considerably  
over a century.A vivid flash of lightning oc-  
curred at Kuala Lumpur recently  
and Mr. J. N. Walwright, of Guth-  
rie and Co., who with two friends  
was walking down Federal Hill,  
was knocked over by it and badly  
shaken, though fortunately he re-  
ceived no injury.There were two falls of snow  
in Shanghai between noon on Mon-  
day and the same time yesterday,  
says the "North China Daily News"  
of Wednesday, March 16. Neither  
were heavy, but they made the air  
very nippy. The first fall was on  
Monday night and the other yester-  
day morning. This, in spite of the  
fact that we are supposed to be  
enjoying the spring.The three men charged at the  
Criminal Sessions yesterday were  
convicted of participation in the  
Lantau nursery robbery and of  
that of the contractor's matched on  
the higher plateau, the two older  
men being sentenced to six years'  
hard labour on each of the counts  
and the younger third man to one  
year's hard labour on each, the sen-  
tences to run concurrently.While the trawler "General," of  
Leith, was at work in the North  
Sea 210 miles north-east of the Isle  
of May, a large skull was brought  
up in the trawl net. It measures  
about 4 feet 10 inches long by 3  
feet 4 inches across. On the  
arrival of the trawler at Leith, Mr.  
Flockhart Newhaven, communicated  
with the Natural History Depart-  
ment of the Royal Scottish Museum,  
to which the skull was conveyed.  
It was identified as that of a large  
specimen of the bottle-nose whale,  
probably about 24 feet long.As the result of being knocked  
down by a motor car opposite the  
Wing Lok wharf, a Chinese youth  
was yesterday taken to the hospital  
suffering from injuries to his legs.The "Times" states that the  
Scottish Board of Health has decid-  
ed to invite tenders for the erection  
of a further 1,000 steel houses in  
the industrial areas where the need  
of new accommodation is most  
pressing. On inquiry at the Scot-  
tish Board of Health it was stated  
that the distribution of the houses  
has not yet been decided upon, but  
they will be allocated to areas  
where they are most required.J. Ray, of Ipoh, who was re-  
cently arrested in Singapore on a  
warrant issued by the Ipoh magis-  
trate, on a charge of criminal breach  
of trust, at the instance of United  
Motors, Ltd., of Ipoh, and was sen-  
tenced to three months' rigorous  
imprisonment at Ipoh, was produced  
in the Kuala Lumpur police court  
before Mr. J. W. Hughes, on a  
warrant issued there charging him  
with cheating Tong Sun, the pro-  
prietor of a firm of tailors and out-  
fitters, of 29, Batu Road, in respect  
of a sum of \$133. The accused  
pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to  
six months' rigorous imprisonment,  
the sentence to run consecutively  
with the sentence imposed at Ipoh.The sun smiled gently on Hyde  
Park on Sunday in mid week but it  
was not strong enough to blunt the  
edge of the bitter wind that drove  
the society promenaders from their  
parade ground by the Achilles  
statue to the more sheltered side of  
the Row. There were two things  
that fixed my attention (says a  
"Daily News" writer). The first  
and more serious, was the appar-  
ent leap in popularity made by certain  
types of French cars. The second  
was the preference for dogs with  
short legs. Five out of six of the  
dogs led or carried by women in  
this promenade came near the old  
description of the dachshund—a  
dog and a half long and half a dog  
high. Scottish breeds predominated—  
 Cairns, Aberdeens, and West  
Highland Whites, with here and  
there a dachshund proper, a Danie  
Dinmont, or a Sealyham. Among  
the few long-legged specimens I  
saw was a downy-haired dog that  
had evidently begun life as a  
French poodle, but now was cover-  
ed with long hair except for just  
an inch above each paw. I noticed  
only two Alsatians, and these were  
both led by men.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. D. E. B. Cook, of Boustead  
and Co., Penang, the Rugby foot-  
baller, is sailing for Home on medi-  
cal advice.Two Naval dances have been ar-  
ranged for Thursday, both to start  
at 8.45 p.m. H.M.S. "Danae" ship's  
company are holding theirs in  
Messrs. Lane, Crawford's restaurant  
and H.M.S. "Titanic" and Sub-  
marines will be at the Helena May  
Institute.Marshal Chang Tso-ho on March  
15 celebrated his 55th birthday in  
a very quiet way. The Marshal re-  
mained in the house where he is  
residing and many friends called to  
congratulate him, but nothing in the  
nature of a reception or an enter-  
tainment was held.Sympathy will be expressed for  
Mr. G. J. Tachai of the Public  
Works Department and his brother,  
Mr. P. G. Tachai, on the death of  
their mother at Home at the ripe  
age of 86. Mrs. Tachai was the  
widow of Mr. G. C. Tachai,  
freeman of the City of London and  
master of the Joiners' Company,  
Aldersgate in 1886.Up to Saturday in mid week the  
baby Princess had been at Bruton  
Street, but she was taken early in  
the afternoon to Buckingham  
Palace by car. The Queen was  
waiting to receive her. A large  
crowd assembled at the Palace gate,  
but there was little to see, for the  
Princess, carried by her nurse, was  
apparently soundly asleep (says the  
"Sunday Chronicle"). She was  
immediately carried to the "Blue  
Nursery," which will be her quar-  
ters for the month or so before she  
goes to her maternal grandmother,  
the Countess of Strathmore. To  
the Palace also went "Rex," the  
Duchess's favourite gold Labrador,  
who is at once a guard and friend  
of the baby Princess, who coos with  
delight when she sees him. The  
Blue Room is one of the rooms in  
the suite which Prince George has  
occupied since his return from  
China. Prince George has now  
moved into the rooms used by the  
Duke of York when a bachelor.  
Every morning the Princess is  
taken for an airing in Hyde Park  
in her perambulator.Capt. J. S. de Wolf the popular  
skipper on the Hong Kong-Tientsin  
Line of the China Navigation Co.  
returned from Home leave by the  
P. & O. s.s. "Devanha" on Sunday.The forthcoming marriages are  
announced of Mr. L. Y. Fairley  
(widower), merchant, of Shanghai  
to Miss M. Pemberton, nurse, of  
Sydney; Mr. T. P. H. Blake, mer-  
chant, of the A.P.C., Shanghai, to  
Miss J. A. S. Hamilton, of the  
Helena May Institute; Mr. R. H. M.  
Ody, merchant of Canton, to Miss  
A. Wain, of Philadelphia.The Countess of Kintore and her  
daughter, Lady Hilda Keith-  
Falconer, who are at present the  
guests of H.E. the Governor of the  
Straits Settlements and Lady Guil-  
liam at Government House, are  
touring the East, and have arrived  
at Singapore from Indo-China,  
where they visited Angkor ruins.  
They intend to leave for Bangkok  
shortly.The fact of the Duchess of York  
spending part of her time while on  
the "Renown" in practising rifle  
shooting has drawn attention to  
women's increased interest in this  
branch of sport (says a "Daily  
Chronicle" writer). Not only in  
Britain, but in the Colonies and  
Dominions it is becoming extremely  
popular. In Africa a considerable  
number of women now practice regu-  
larly at miniature rifle shooting,  
and hear, from a friend in Miko-  
longwe, in the wilds of Nyasaland,  
that the club there has over 30  
members, most of whom have to  
motor 16 miles or more to reach the  
range.After a long illness, the death  
took place yesterday of Mrs. E. W.  
Dawson, at the age of 48, the wife  
of a former Government servant in  
Hong Kong. The funeral passes  
the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.  
Sympathy will go out to the de-  
ceased lady's relatives, she being  
sister to Mr. F. C. Mowfung, J.P.,  
Mr. E. Mowfung, Mrs. W. Fincher,  
Mrs. E. Mackay and Mrs. Parkson  
of Fochow. Mrs. Dawson was a  
trained nurse and had been assis-  
tant matron at the Lunatic Asylum,  
and became a victim of cancer, re-  
turning to Hong Kong this January.  
She leaves two sons, one of whom  
is studying in England.Among the candidates proposed  
for election as Fellows at the Feb-  
ruary meeting of the Royal Society  
of Arts was the Hon. Mr. Tan  
Cheng-lok, of Malacca.Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander-  
Sinclair, upon relinquishing his ap-  
pointment as Commander-in-Chief,  
China Station, had the honour of be-  
ing received by the King at Buck-  
ingham Palace on Feb. 9.Three of the cruisers now on the  
China Station are shortly to receive  
new commanding officers. Captain  
R. B. Ramsay, who had been select-  
ed to command the "Vindictive" in  
succession to Captain Ronald  
Howard, is appointed instead to  
the "Despatch," and Captain D. B.  
Le Motte, from the latter, will go  
to the "Vindictive" in his place.  
Captain Le Motte joined the "Des-  
patch" in China last April, and had  
formerly been Senior Naval Officer  
in the Danube. The third cruiser to  
exchange captains will be the  
"Emerald," in which Captain Hugh  
T. England is to be succeeded by  
Captain H. G. C. Franklin, who  
takes up his first command since  
being promoted in June, 1925.The Hon. George Henry Hubert  
Lascelles, elder son of Princess  
Mary Viscountess Lascelles and  
Viscount Lascelles celebrated his  
fourth birthday at Goldsborough  
Hall. He was born on February 7,  
1922. He has come on tremendously  
of late (says the Press Association's  
Knaresborough correspondent),  
and nothing delights him  
more than to be taken out driving  
in the country lanes about Golds-  
borough. Such drives constitute  
one of the features of Princess  
Mary's home life, the children be-  
ing taken out in a smart little  
governess car drawn by a small  
pony. It is understood that any  
toys of a mechanical nature excite  
the Hon. George Lascelles's atten-  
tion. In fact he had a decided pre-  
ference for engines and motor cars  
whose works can be explored.  
The birthday was celebrated very  
quietly by purely a family gather-  
ing. The younger son, the Hon.  
Gerald David, is growing rapidly,  
and will soon be three years of age.  
He therefore makes an excellent  
playmate for his brother.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## CARDIFF AGAIN.

## HOME LEAGUE SOCCER MATCHES.

## CHAMPIONSHIP &amp; RELEGATION.

Four matches in the English Football League were played yesterday.

One of them has a bearing on the championship, another on promotion to division 1, another on relegation from division 1.

Cardiff City in the lower half of League 1 was the only one of the four clubs left in the Cup to win on Saturday. They played again yesterday and added another victory. Results as called by Reuters follow:

Division 1: Cardiff 2, Huddersfield 0.

Division 1: Clapton Orient 1, Swansea 0; Preston N.E. 0, Chelsea 2; Wolverhampton 4, Blackpool 1.

Huddersfield are second in the league. Their defeat by Cardiff puts them further back behind the leaders (Newcastle) who now have an advantage of 3 points and a match in hand.

Clapton are second last in division 1. This victory gives them 20 points for 12 matches, level with Darlington who, however, have a better goal average.

Preston were second (to Middlesbrough) in division 2. Chelsea now take second place on goal average. Each has 43 points but Chelsea have only played 31 games against Preston's 33.

Middlesbrough lead with 49 points for 33 matches.

The victory of the Wolves brings them further away from the danger of relegation.

## CRICKET TOUR.

## TENNYSON'S XI IN WEST INDIES.

## FENDER'S BOWLING.

Port Maria, March 5. A two-day cricket match between Middlesex County (West Indies) and the Hon. L. H. Tennyson's XI was begun to-day.



Mr. P. G. H. Fender, captain of Surrey County C.C. and a fine all-rounder, touring in the West Indies under Lionel Tennyson.

The following are the close of play scores: (1st) 126 runs. P. G. H. Fender took 6 wickets for 40 runs.

Tennyson's XI (1st) 230 runs for 4 wickets.

## STEEL GOLF CLUBS.

## GEORGE DUNCAN GIVES A WARNING.

George Duncan, the professional golfer, on his return from the United States, declared that, owing to the world shortage of hickory, steel for golf clubs will inevitably be used.

During the war hickory was largely used by the American Army, and the second year's growth which makes the best shafts for golf clubs, has scarcely had time to recover. In certain parts of America and Canada steel shafts are legal, but St. Andrew's do not permit their use in this country.

The golf ball cannot be given any further with a steel shaft. The professional, as a body, are against its introduction. The best of the steel shafts are being made in England. They may cost 22 (says one writer) against the average price of a gulden for a club with a hickory shaft.

## 2 RUNNING RECORDS.

Philadelphia, March 21. The Swede, Edwin Wide, broke two world's records for running, as follows:—

1 1/4 miles: in 7 minutes, 53 1/5 seconds.

3,000 metres: in 8 minutes, 22 2/5 seconds.

—Reuters' American Service.

## ONE-ARMED SWIMMER.

Philadelphia, March 12. A one-armed youth, George Lowery, swam the icy waters of Mahan-yunk Canal during a snowstorm to-day with sufficient speed to win from six other contestants. More than a thousand spectators lined the banks to witness the first annual midwinter swim of the Mount Vernon Athletic Club. Lowery was cheered as he emerged from the frigid water unassisted after winning the 150-yard grind. The temperature of the water was 22 degrees. —China Press.

## YOUTH WINS.

## EX-TENNIS CHAMPION DEFEATED.

## H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

Youth had its day yesterday in the Hong Kong C.C. tennis tournament when S. E. Green (an ex-champion) lost by 3 sets to 1 to L. M. Razack, a promising young player from the Indian R.C.

This was in the first round of the open singles. Razack won most of his points by sharp and correct placing along the side lines. The old 'un still showed a good deal of power in his forehand drives to the corner of the court and his length was good. Razack played a fast game and therefore had the old champion beaten, except in the second set.

The holders, (H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn) appeared in the first round of the open doubles. Although they won in straight sets from Lloyd and Nowers, they gave a disappointing display in the first set. S. A. Rumjahn was prone to be "wild" again but the tournament is too young to pass judgment yet.

Two good matches ought to be seen in the open singles to-day. Ng Sze-kwong (champion for several years till 1924) being engaged. Yesterday's results:—

Open Singles:—

1st round:—L. M. Razack beat S. E. Green, 4-6, 9-7, 6-4.

2nd round:—Col. C. Russell Brown beat T. Ema, 6-1, 4-6, 6-7, 6-3; N. Trambitzky beat F. J. Remedios, 6-4, 6-0, 6-4.

Open Doubles:—

1st round:—H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn beat L. M. S. Lloyd and W. A. Nowers, 6-4, 6-0, 6-2.

2nd round:—E. de Sousa and F. Prata beat N. Evans and A. H. Crook, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Handicap Singles "A":—

H. J. Armstrong (rec. 4/6) beat A. B. Raworth (owe 4/6), 5-1, 6-2; H. R. Remington (rec. 15/1) beat G. M. Gable (rec. 2/6), 6-1, 6-2; R. K. Valentine (rec. 4/6) beat Capt. E. J. Larkcom (rec. 1/6), 6-2, 6-4.

Today's Matches:—

Open Singles:—Rev. P. W. Alexander v. M. W. Lo, Ng Sze-kwong v. Major W. B. Stevenson.

Open Doubles:—S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain v. J. W. Leonard and N. Trambitzky.

Handicap Doubles:—R. L. Moncrieff and R. W. Lee (rec. 15/1) v. Major C. Wilson and N. L. Smith (rec. 1/6); V. A. H. Crook and Dr. J. R. Craig (rec. 3/6) v. E. J. Mitchell and W. Hyde (owe 1/6); V. N. J. Pappin and W. A. Wright (rec. 15/1).

Mixed Doubles:—Miss Bird and L. M. S. Lloyd (rec. 15/1) v. C. C. and Mrs. Stark (rec. 5/6).

## CLUB VICTORY.

## BORDERERS DEFEATED AT RUGGER.

Their fifth successive victory since the "revival" was gained yesterday by the rugby section of the Hong Kong Football Club, in defeating the Border Regt., which had reached the fourth round of the Army Cup before being ordered out.

The Club won by 5 points (a goal) to 3 (a try) and the game was full of thrills from beginning to end.

Territorially, the soldiers had the better of things but the Club defenders hung on tenaciously and kept the Borderers out.

Private Jones, a Welsh international, played a fine game in the first half, and the three-quarter line, G. P. Lammer was the Club "star", gaining a good deal of ground by splendid handling and smart evasion.

It was one of his solo efforts which led to the Club scoring five minutes after half-time. Lammer had touched down between the sticks and C. D. Wales added the two points with the place kick.

Sergeant Taylor replied but Private Derment failed to convert.

It. Cooper and Private Giblin also did well for the soldiers.

## TENNIS LEAGUE MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis League will be held on Monday next, at the Hong Kong Cricket Club pavilion at 5.30 p.m. It is hoped that all Clubs engaged in the League last year will be represented.

The following will represent the Volunteer at cricket against the Club de Reccreo this Saturday at 2.15 p.m. sharp on the Reccreo ground:—E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), J. Jordan, C. D. Wales, F. T. Orr, J. A. Summers, R. W. Lee, J. R. Hinton, H. V. Parker, H. F. Westlake, W. Wooding, R. F. Strange.

## STEEPLECHASES.

## RACES FOR NEXT FANLING MEETING.

## A 2 MILES "NATIONAL."

Entries for the next Fanling Hunt steeplechase meeting (to be held at Kwai on Saturday, April 9) close on Monday, March 28, to Mr. A. H. Potts (c/o Messrs. Benjamin and Potts) from whom entry forms may be obtained. The card comprises five races, as follows:—

The Maiden Plate: 7 furlongs:—for China ponies, that have started twice at Kwai steeplechases and not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Placed ponies 3 lbs. penalty. Entrance \$5. Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

The Easter Handicap: 1 1/4 miles:—for China ponies. Entrance \$5; Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

The Fanling National: 2 miles:—for China ponies. W.L. Non-winners that have started at Kwai allowed 6 lbs. Entrance \$10. Winner a cup, 2nd \$25, 3rd \$15.

The April Stakes: 2 miles:—for China ponies that have regularly hunted with the Fanling Foxhounds in season 1926-1927. W.L. Previous winners at Kwai 5 lbs. penalty. Entrance \$5. Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

Consolation Race: 4 furlongs:—for all China ponies that have started and not won at this meeting. Catch weight. Post entries \$5. Winner \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

## TO MEET THE CHAMPIONS.

For the match between the Cricket League champions (Kowloon Cricket Club) and the Rest to be played on the H.K.C.C. ground this Saturday, the following have been selected to represent the Rest:—

G. R. Sayer (Civil Service) captain, A. W. Hayward (H.K.C.C.), H. Owen Hughes (H.K.C.C.), F. J. Ling (C.S.C.C.), E. C. Fincher (C.S.C.C.), Captain A. G. Dobble (K.O.S.B.), Lt. Comdr. T. R. Beatty (R.N.), S. A. Ismail (I.R.C.), T. E. Yeoh (C.R.C.), and Lt. R. F. Wright (R.A.).

## FANLING GOLF.

In the semi-finals of the men's foursomes competition of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, played on the old course at Fanling, T. L. Christie (9) and D. L. Gilmore (14) beat T. D. E. Fender (3) and W. A. Butterfield (16) by 3 up and 1 to play; and Capt. E. W. Morris (8) and D. G. Bruce (9) beat T. Ramsay (14) and C. P. Lambert (18), 2 and 1.

## KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

## COURSE BEING GRADUALLY IMPROVED.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The increased Club house facilities provided during the year and the plans which were maturing for a new drainage scheme which would enable the Club to dispense with the cross channels were referred to at the annual meeting yesterday of the Kowloon Golf Club over which Mr. E. Cook presided.

The Chairman was supported by Mr. I. B. Trevor, Mr. A. W. Roberts, Mr. V. C. Labrum, Mr. E. W. Alltree and Mr. J. D. Thomson. A large number of members attended.

The extensions to the Club house, the building of a caddy shelter and the provision of telephonic communication to prevent useless journeys when the course was not available was the subject of reference by the Chairman. Whilst everything was being done to improve the course a check had been kept on expenditure and he hoped that the in-coming Committee would continue this policy in order that more debentures could be redeemed and the Club stand on its own feet free of encumbrances.

The military had been considered in the notification of firing practice times and courteous assistance had been received from officials and private individuals. The thanks of the Club were due to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. O. McLagan and the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. E. Walltree for their kindness and efficient service and the Committee for their whole-hearted co-operation and the devotion of much of their leisure time to the affairs of the Club.

## THE OFFICIALS.

The following officials were re-elected: Mr. E. Cook, President, Mr. V. C. Labrum, Vice-President, Mr. J. D. Thomson, Captain of the Club, Mr. E. W. Alltree, hon. treasurer, and Mr. J. O. McLagan, hon. secretary. Messrs. W. Patterson, S. Jordan, A. W. Roberts, I. B. Trevor, and J. C. Long were elected on the committee.

Mr. Carroll suggested that the in-coming committee should arrange more matches, and Mr. Thomson replied that matches were already being arranged.

The chairman remarked he was sure that the in-coming committee would do their best to meet the wishes of the members in this respect.

Votes of thanks to Mr. Hunt, of the Y.M.C.A. for the use of the room for the meeting, and to the outgoing committee for their good work, concluded the meeting.

## AT THE STAR.

## "THE EARLY BIRD" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

There's a real all-star cast in "The Early Bird," which features Johnny Lines and includes in its support such notable screen folk as Sigrid Holmquist, Wyndham Standing, Edmund Bressie, Flora Finch, Maud Turner Gordon and Bradley Barker.

All the above-named players carry their portion of this highly interesting photoplay in splendid fashion. Sigrid Holmquist is especially busy throughout the entire picture and Wyndham Standing and Edmund Bressie follow in close order.

"The Early Bird" has all to do with the fame to fortune rise of a milk-driver who stops at no obstacles to accomplish what he is after, and how he gains his ends in all cleverly told in a really enjoyable picture.

## "Loving Lies."

"Loving Lies" relates the hazards and domestic adventures of a young sea captain who befriends his ship mate's sweetheart in a tragic hour, and when employer and former matrimonial rival, exerts his superiority in an attempt to win the love of the young bride.

The action of the play is laid in a Pacific coast port, aboard several ships and there is no slackening of the pace from the time the title comes on the screen until the final close-up fades out.

Monte Blue, a former sailor in reality, gives a great performance and makes the role of Captain Dan Stover seem more of an actual adventure than a piece of acting. Evelyn Brent plays opposite Mr. Blue and Joan Lowell, an Associated Artists "find," plays a difficult part with much understanding. Charles Gerrard as the heavy, is also superbly cast.

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 22, 1927, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hong Kong Stock Exchange.	Hong Kong Sharebrokers Association.	Share & Real Estate Brokers Society.
T.T. on London .....	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai .....	80	80	80
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank .....	1090 1/4	1087 1/2	1090 1/4
do. London .....	411 1/4	411 1/4	411 1/4
Chartered Bank .....	421 1/4	421 1/4	421 1/4
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. .....	431 1/4	431 1/4	431 1/4
do. C. .....	413 1/4	413 1/4	413 1/4
P. & O. Bank .....	49 1/4	49 1/4	49 1/4
Bank of East Asia .....	74 1/4	74 1/4	74 1/4
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance .....	562 1/2	562 1/2	562 1/2
China Underwriters .....	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2
North China Insurance .....	145 1/4	140 1/4	140 1/4
Union Insurance .....	291 1/2	290 1/2	292 1/2
Yangtze Insurance .....	438 M.	40 1/2	40 1/2
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance .....	205 1/2	200 1/2	200 1/2
H.K. Fire Insurance .....	640 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Shipping.			
Deuglases .....	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Hongkong Steamboats .....	20 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
H.K. Tugs & Lighters .....	1.10	2 1/4	2 1/4
Indo-China (Prof.) .....	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
do. (Def.) .....	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Shell Transport .....	59 1/2	55 1/2	100 1/2
Star Ferries .....	54 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2
Water-works .....	14 1/2	13 1/2	14 1/2
Refineries.			
China Sugars .....	22 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
Malayan Sugars .....	21 1/2	30 1/2	31 1/2
Mining.			
Benguet .....	1.35	42 1/2	40 1/2
Kallian Mining Ad. .....	38 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Langkats (Combined) .....	10 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
do. (Single) .....	14 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
Shanghai Exploration .....	7 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
Shanghai Loan .....	4 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Raubs .....	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Tromoh Mines .....	8 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Ural Caspian .....	8 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves .....	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2
H.K. & W. Docks .....	40 1/2	35 1/2	40 1/2
Hongkwa .....	150 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
New Engineering .....	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Shanghai Docks .....	110 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Lands, Hotels & Midge.			
H.K. & S. Hotels .....	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Hongkong Lands .....	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Hongkong Realty .....	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
H.K. Territorial .....	2 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Humphreys Estates .....	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Prince's Building .....	89 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
Rural Lands .....	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons .....	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Oriental .....	12 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Shanghai Cottons (old) .....	154 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
do. (new) .....	7 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ice .....	5 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
Cements (comb.) .....	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
do. (old) .....	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
do. (new) .....	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
China Buses .....	9 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2
China Lights (comb.) .....	11 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
do. (old) .....	11 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
do. (new) .....	6 10 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
China Prov. .....	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
Dairy Farms .....	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
Der A. Wing .....	6 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Hongkong Amusements .....	17 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
H.K. Constructions .....	2.30	2.30	2.40
Hongkong Electric .....	52 1/2	51 1/2	52 1/2
H.K. Ropes (old) .....	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
do. (new) .....	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Hongkong Tramways .....	20.60	20.40	20.60
Lane, Crawfords .....	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Macao Electric .....	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Mackintosh .....	10 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Nanyang Tobacco .....	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Peak Trams (old) .....	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
do. (new) .....	8 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Sincere .....	11 1/2	9 1/2	10 1/2
Singapore Trams .....	17 1/2	70 c	65 Cts
Taxis .....	7 1/2	70 c	65 Cts
United Asbestos .....	—	60 1/2	—
do. (Founders) .....	—	18 1/2	—
do. (Ordinary) .....	20 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Watsons .....	6 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Wm. Powells .....	3.85	3.90	3.90
H.K. Telephones .....	3.85	3.90	3.90

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## RADIO TOPICS

## A NEW MOVE.

RADIO ACROSS THE  
SEAS.

A new branch of activity among amateur transmitters in this country which may yield valuable results in the development of long distance broadcasting has been the recent formation of a Research Section by the Radio Society of Great Britain, says a Home paper's radio expert. The co-ordination affected by this move, it is felt, may help in the solution of many technical problems. In actual long-distance transmission, both of telephony and telegraphy, amateurs have achieved remarkable results, and it now only remains to perfect apparatus and aerial design to ensure a greater degree of reliability. But there are many curious facts about long-distance broadcasting that still require elucidation.

Mr. Gerald Marcy, one of the best-known British amateurs, told me that, while greater progress had been made in Transatlantic telephony, the most difficult country in the world with which to communicate. He suggested that it was far easier to communicate eastward from this country than westward, a statement which appears to be borne out by ships' wireless operators, even in the ordinary broadcast band, seem easier to pick up in the Atlantic than British stations working on equivalent power. Mr. Marcy added that so confident was he of reception from New Zealand that if that Dominion had the necessary apparatus to broadcast on short waves, relays in this country could be arranged practically any day. Experiments between the Radio Corporation of America and the British Company in relaying on either side are still in progress.

A new Osram power valve, manufactured by the General Electric Company, should meet the demand for a good loud speaker valve to operate from a low filament voltage. It works from a two-volt accumulator, and gives excellent tonal purity in loud speaker reproduction, the current consumption being extremely small. The filament is of new design, the effect being to produce a greatly increased electron emission. The valve gives maximum volume without distortion when used in the last stage, providing even amplification over a wide range of musical frequencies.

## THOUSANDS DAILY.

OCEAN PHONE MONEY  
DEALS.

Thousands of pounds are being made daily by British firms who are making regular use of the Transatlantic telephone.

Because financial deals depend for their success on speed, London financial houses are using the service to a great extent.

Post Office officials, while not divulging the names of customers using the service, stated that a large number of British firms are using it regularly.

An official of the Overseas branch of the Midland Bank said to a reporter:

"We do a lot of business by telephone to New York in our dealings in foreign exchange-arbitrage in all currencies, and find that the Transatlantic telephone more than pays for itself. The charge of £15 for three minutes may seem high to a man doing small business, but it is well worth it to us. While talking to New York we are able to follow the market movements just as if we were dealing on the London market, and we are able to make our purchases within an instant."



Radio and talking machines have changed people into a "listening public," which no longer plays or buys sheet music according to John Philip Sousa, longer plays or buys sheet music, composer. His income, he asserts, has been more than cut in half since radio became the fad.

## WIRELESS POLICEMEN.

Complete With Outside  
Aerial.

Another stage in the age-old fight for supremacy between the criminal and society was entered upon when the Chief of Police of the town of Passaic, New Jersey, announced that, if the tests were successful, all constables under his command would in future be provided with miniature portable wireless receiving sets in order to keep them in constant touch with the central station at police headquarters. According to the inventor, who himself is a Passaic man, an alarm sent out from the central station will immediately reach all policemen equipped with receiving sets within a radius of three and a half miles.

The sets have one valve and tiny batteries, and are so compact that they are fitted into a box the size of a cigarette case. The policemen will carry collapsible earphones, and will have a small aerial attached to their sleeve or the lapel of their coat. On the outside of their uniform will be fastened a small electric bulb which by lighting up will give them the signal to listen-in. The Chief of Police believes that the invention will be of great assistance in checking crime, and especially in catching gunmen in motor-cars, and "other quick get-away gentry."

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## SPORE WIRELESS.

LISTENERS-IN WHO DO NOT  
PAY.

The Amateur Wireless Society of Singapore continues to supply Malaya with evening concerts principally every Wednesday and Sunday. It appears to get precious little support for its pains. We think it necessary to put in a plea for this admirable little organization because it is not talking, but doing, showing the public of Malaya that the transmission of concerts and the like can be accomplished locally in acceptable manner—performing, in fact, the practical pioneer work that may lead to bigger things in the future. The Society has a fair number of members, who pay an entrance fee of five dollars and a monthly subscription of one dollar; but there is reason to believe that some people in Singapore and up-country who own receiving sets share in the good work by listening-in but do not equally share by paying a subscription. The work of the Society is on a purely amateur basis and involves a great deal of personal attention by those gentlemen who superintend the technical side and arrange the programmes. The expenses are met from the revenue of the Society, but with a larger income it might accomplish greater things. Those who are not yet members of the Society should make application at Union Building, Singapore, where the headquarters of the Society are located—"Straits Times."

## SLEUTHS OF RADIO.

Wonder Car to Track  
Offenders.

How officials of the General Post Office are tracking down radio oscillators with the aid of a high-powered motor-car, equipped with a specially-constructed direction-finding set, was demonstrated to Press representatives when tests were made in North London. So sensitive are the instruments carried in the car that oscillations can be tracked with certainty to their source, and the house in which is the offending set identified by the simple turning of a graduated wheel.

This wheel, by controlling the direction of a double circular frame aerial, mounted on the roof, affects the strength of signals received on a three-valve super-sensitive selector, and as the car approaches an oscillating set, a pointer on a circle marked in degrees approaches zero, and when the car is opposite the offender the signals received drop to a minimum. A movement of a yard in either direction alters the signal strength, and thus a particular house is indicated without possibility of error.

When complaints are received by the B.B.C. that oscillation in any area is particularly bad, the Post Office Engineering Department despatch the car with two operators and a driver to the district. With the aid of a large-scale map of London and a binocular compass of the submarine type, the district is "combed out," and the offender discovered. The operators inspect the person's licence, inform him that he is oscillating, and give advice and assistance in the working of the set. Should the listener offend twice, he is likely to lose his licence.

The car has been in commission for seven months, but has only been used to track oscillators for about four weeks. Previously it was used to detect, unlicensed transmitting stations. Recently five offenders were caught in the course of three hundred miles.

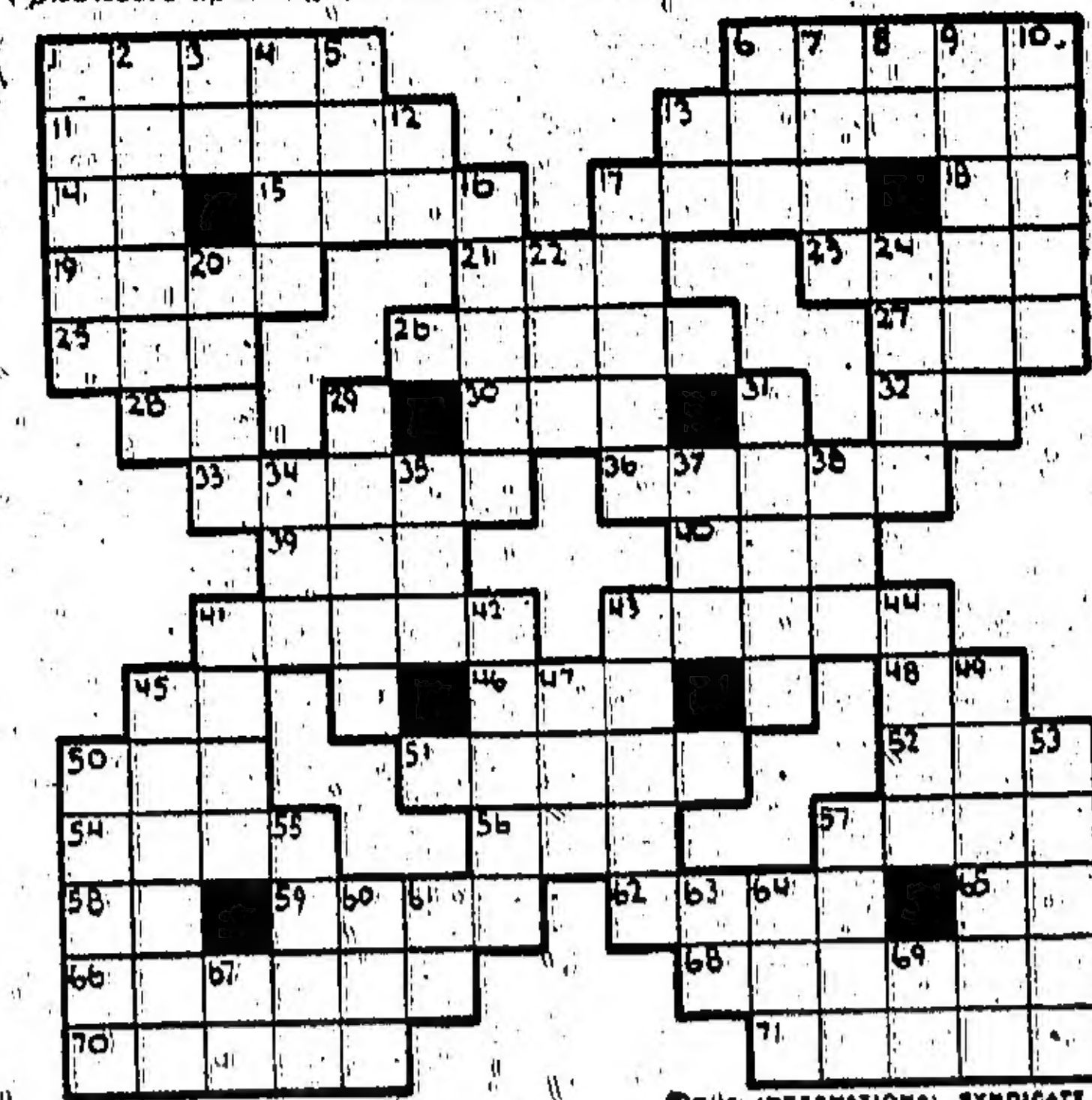
Antwerp's broadcasting station, Radio-Zoologie, was closed down owing to financial difficulties.

Mr. Jack de Frece, brother of Sir Walter de Frece, M.P., has been appointed by the B.B.C. to take charge of the brighter programme campaign on the variety side.

An Essex wireless experimenter Mr. F. A. Mayer, has been in communication with New Zealand for 22 days, enabling an octogenarian, Mrs. Franklin, of Wickford, to talk each day with her son at Christchurch.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>HORIZONTAL</b>                | <b>HORIZONTAL (Cont.)</b>        | <b>VERTICAL (Cont.)</b>               |
| 1—Country of Europe              | 50—English title                 | 13—Stagger                            |
| 6—To hide                        | 51—Antiseptic compound           | 20—Temper                             |
| 11—A race                        | 52—Before                        | 22—Brief poem                         |
| 13—Trade by exchange of goods    | 54—Performs                      | 24—A continent                        |
| 14—Musical note                  | 57—Was indebted for              | 25—Entrap                             |
| 15—Combining form within         | 58—Money institution (abbr.)     | 31—A month                            |
| 17—Lease                         | 59—Selling                       | 34—South American plant               |
| 18—Gulf State of U. S. (abbr.)   | 62—Pinches slightly              | 35—Far western State of U. S. (abbr.) |
| 19—A tree (pl.)                  | 65—Discount (abbr.)              | 37—Organ of head                      |
| 21—Fish eggs                     | 66—Discourt                      | 38—Pronoun                            |
| 23—Foolish youths (slang)        | 68—Golf club                     | 41—Harbor                             |
| 25—Exceedingly                   | 70—Exalts                        | 42—Rock                               |
| 26—A viper                       | 71—Enrolls                       | 43—Strength                           |
| 27—Observe                       |                                  | 44—Understood                         |
| 28—One-fourth of an acre (abbr.) | <b>VERTICAL</b>                  | 45—A metal                            |
| 30—Elongated fish                | 1—Implant                        | 47—Part of verb "to be"               |
| 32—One of British Isles (abbr.)  | 2—To fit with garments           | 48—Accept as true                     |
| 33—Giver                         | 3—Near                           | 50—Sword                              |
| 35—A color                       | 4—Untruths                       | 53—Borders                            |
| 38—Vehicle                       | 5—To be competent                | 55—Thin strip of wood                 |
| 40—Dexterity                     | 6—Crafts                         | 57—Combining form. Bone               |
| 41—Cuts away                     | 8—Small coin of U. S. (abbr.)    | 60—Suffix. Of the nature of           |
| 43—Lively                        | 9—An assistant                   | 61—Point of compass (abbr.)           |
| 45—Negative reply                | 10—Obituary                      | 63—I am (contr.)                      |
| 46—A sailor                      | 12—N. am. State of U. S. (abbr.) | 64—Buddy                              |
| 48—B. State of U. S. (abbr.)     | 13—Prefix. Near                  | 67—A college degree (abbr.)           |
|                                  | 16—Command                       | 69—High School (abbr.)                |

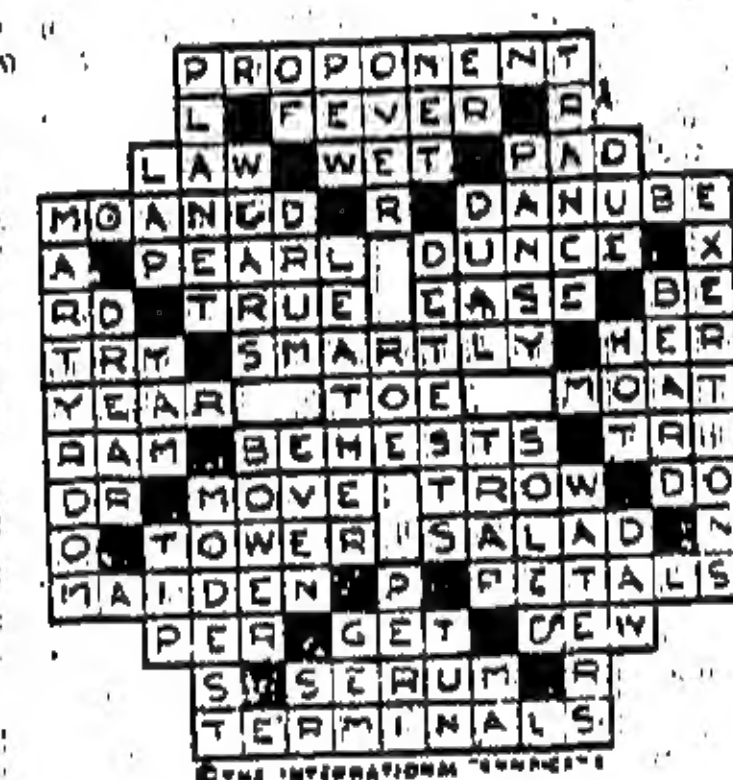
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## RADIO FOR THE BLIND.

London, Feb. 21.  
A new era in the history of broadcasting may shortly be entered upon with the printing of broadcasting programmes in Braille embossed type to enable the blind, who at present have to rely upon their friends for the reading of the programmes from newspapers, to dispense with this aid and read the programmes themselves.

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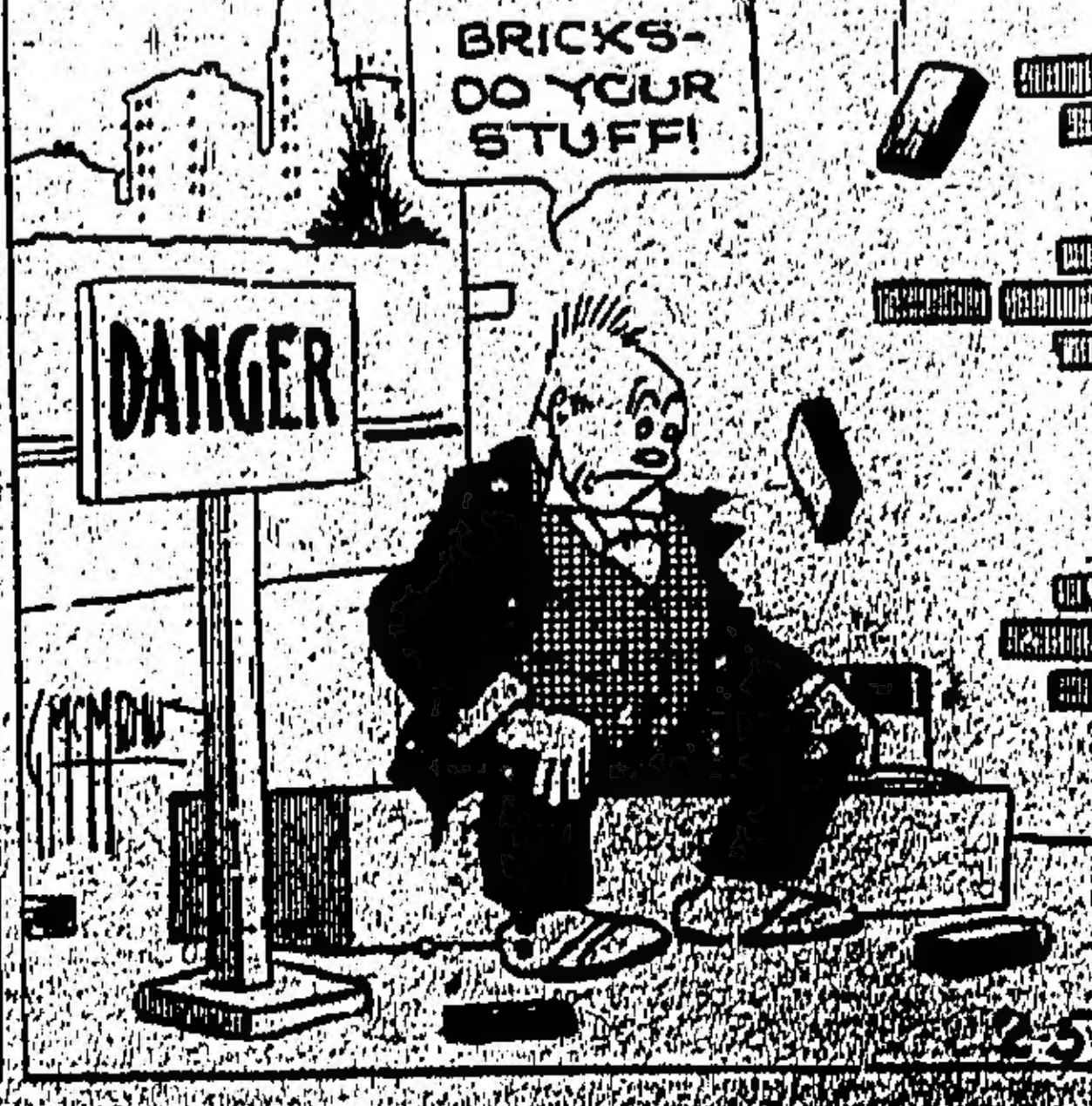
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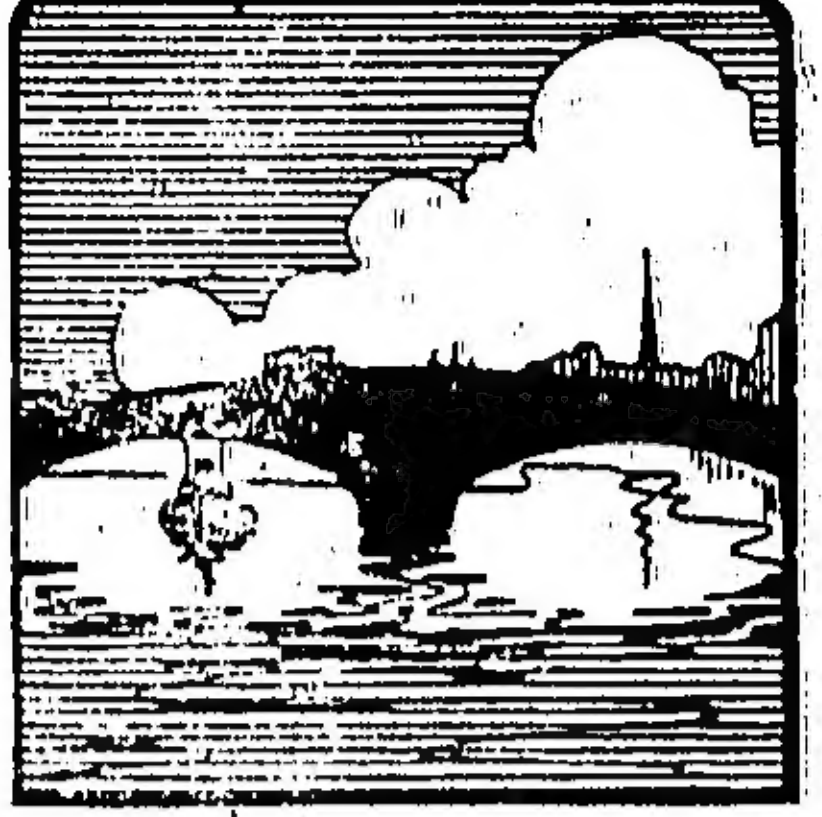


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## THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Large numbers of 1927 pennies have been put into circulation by the banks.

Mr. Frank Hodges has been appointed a member of the Central Electricity Board.

In the second round of the Hospitals Rugby Cup St. Mary's defeated London by 3 points to nil.

In a letter to the Manchester Conservative and Unionist Association, Sir Charles Maudslayi, a prominent Liberal in the district, announced his intention of leaving the party. He expressed disagreement with the land policy of Mr. Lloyd George, and asked to be allowed to become a supporter of the Prime Minister.

Sir Bernard Spilsbury, the pathologist, who was called as a witness for the defence at the adjourned trial of John Donald Merrett, who is charged with the murder of his mother, said that there was nothing inconsistent with suicide or accident in the site or direction of the wound. Holding the pistol behind the right ear, he stated that no difficulty was imposed on the hand or arm.

Colonel Lane-Fox (Secretary for Mines) has again refused to accept the nomination of Mr. A. J. Cook by the Miners' Federation as a member of the Government Committee on Mineral Transport. Stating that this is the first time the Government have refused to accept the official nominee of the federation, Mr. Cook declares that the committee will have to proceed without a representative of the federation or the miners.

There need be no fear about any relaxation by the Government in their policy for keeping the country free from foreigners who wished to come here to foment illegal activities. Sir W. Joynton-Hicks (Home Secretary) stated in a message to a Conservative meeting at Twickenham: In every part of the world where the British Empire impinged on another country Muscovite emissaries would be found trying to stir up mischief, and quite openly pledging themselves to destroy the power of our country.

Miss Marie Illington, the well-known actress, has died at her home in Malda-vale.

At Swansea the home club were successful against Oxford University by twelve points to ten.

Supplies of oranges in Britain have now been restored to a satisfactory position, the market having nearly recovered from the shortage due to precautions considered necessary in Spain as a result of the damage to the crops by frost.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, in accepting for the Middlesex Hospital the new institute—the gift of Mr. T. R. Fergus—for research into the physiology, anatomy, and diseases of the ear, nose, and throat, observed that such a provision was unique in the British Empire, if not in the world. Mr. Bernhard Baron undertook to establish one of three post-graduate scholarships for which Prince Arthur appealed.



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## ODDS AND ENDS

### "An Unfortunate Word."

The need for the use of dogs in physiological and therapeutic experiments is urged in a series of articles in "The Fight Against Disease" (price 6d.), the quarterly journal of the Research Defence Society, of which Viscount Knutsford is the chairman. The decision of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to prepare a petition to the House of Commons, urging the passage of the Dogs Protection Bill, is strongly decried. It is contended that if the bill is passed it will not only prohibit the use of dogs in medical research, but will even prevent their use in investigating the causation and cure of distemper. It is further pointed out that the vast majority of dogs used for research are used under licence only, which means that the animals are given powerful anaesthetics, and are destroyed before recovering consciousness. The term "vivisection," the publication emphasises, is an "unfortunate word," because it conveys the erroneous impression of dissection of a living animal, while it is conscious of the operation being done upon it.

### Strength of Animals.

Which is the most efficient creature in Nature? This question is raised in the current issue of "Nature" by Eve and Fleming, of MGH University, Montreal. Experimenting with a man of age, the writers found that a runner taking his own weight against gravity by running with a flying start up a flight of stairs and mounting 772 ft., 13 ft., and 125 ft. vertically, could develop respectively 1.87, 1.70, and 0.87 horse-power. The interesting question arises as to the efficiency per pound weight of certain animals, and the belief is expressed that man would have to yield to the dog, cat or sparrow. Professor A. V. Hill Foulerton, Professor of the Royal Society, discussing the problem recently, declared that small animals can deliver energy more rapidly than large ones, because they can oxygenate their

tissues more rapidly, and also because of the lesser inertia of their moving parts. Small animals were able to perform energy feats denied to large animals, but they paid for the privilege by being short-lived. Given the necessary time, an elephant in the course of its life would probably climb to as great a height as a fly, though at any moment its horse-power output per body weight would be less.—"Morning Post."

### In Hyde Park.

The last person to have discovered the Truth is a lady. Unlike her brothers she does not appear every week to spread her glad tidings. She is what the Romans called a rara avis. She wears a red hat. Bright red. It shames the sun. You can see it all the way from Buckingham Palace. Worse. It has a large red feather growing out of the side of it. I am not sure what else she wears. Eager for the truth, I do not notice externals—only the hat. Even a blind man could not help experiencing certain vibrations about the retina as he passed by that hat. She is an elderly lady. Say fifty-three. She has a soft, silvery voice—you might imagine your favourite cat talking in some such way. She believes Truth is to be found in equality. "Why have we been searching for Truth throughout the centuries in vain, in vain." (She is inclined to repeat her words, to give her time to think of the next sentence.) "We have been searching in vain. Why? Because we have allowed man the fighting animal, rather than woman the thinker to govern, to lead, to advise. The time has come. The world is searching everywhere for Truth. We women must find it—nay, we have not to find it. We know it. All we have to do when once Man is dethroned, is to call it out from the house-tops. We know what Truth is. We know. We know." It is greatly to be regretted that this lady in possession of Truth cannot see her way to divulging the secret of it until man is dethroned. It seems such a long time to wait. David Geitlin in the "Adelphi."

At Warwick races Bob Martyn scored a popular victory in the Chandos Hurdle Handicap.

Opening an exhibition in connection with Fulham's Civic Week, the Lord Mayor suggested that other metropolitan boroughs should follow Fulham's example.

An extensive use of British spas for the benefit of insured persons suffering from rheumatism is advocated by the Management Committee of the General Federation of Trades Unions. As facilities are not adequate for all certified cases, it is suggested by the committee that clinics should be set up for the selection of suitable patients, so that the very best immediate results may be obtained.

Pending the hearing of a motion by Mrs. Daphne Morris, the first wife of Hayley Morris, of Pippingford Park, for increased maintenance, Mr. Justice Hill made an order embodying an undertaking by respondent not to part with 50 per cent. of a large holding of Chinese gold dollar bonds. Counsel for Mrs. Morris stated that the income derived from these bonds amounted to about £3,000 a year.

In his address to the Convocations the Archbishop of Canterbury emphasised the permissive character of the Prayer Book proposals. In no sense, he said, was the book forced on those who did not wish to use it. People who found in the old Prayer Book all that they desired could rest content in those pastures still important as the proposals were, in his deliberate judgment nothing that was suggested made any change in the doctrinal position of the Church of England.

A new marriage service, in which there is equality of the sexes, is included in the draft Prayer Book submitted by the House of Bishops to the Convocations of Canterbury and York. The word "obey" is omitted. Recognition is given to cremation, the legality of vestments is confirmed, and Reservation of the Blessed Sacrament is allowed, for the communion of the sick. Prayers for the dead are introduced, and subject to the control of the bishop, the clergy are permitted to offer extempore prayer.

### In Morocco.

From Meknes of the half-deserted courts and fabulous palaces, the road mounts to Volubilis, the Roman city whose ordered restraint Mula Ismail robbed of column and altar, leaving it a web of scattered pavements, with here a trace of street or temple and there a well-head or a carving too insignificant for the sultan's feast of stone. Here there is an inn kept by a Frenchman who can make the frothiest omelet and the most delectable salad out of Paris or New York, while his children tell solemn tales of Romans and fairies, offering fragments of age-old pottery lamps or some coins found among the ruins. And at last there is Fez, the ultimate jewel set in hills, cushioned among olives. It is one of the few perfect cities of the world. The walls of the Almadash sultans, so sun-mellowed that they are like apricot velvet, enclose the originality, the simplicity, the mystery, the serenity of Fez, all the ingredients of its charm so subtle and so rare that each traveller must come away, as I do, who have seen it many times, in silence. The essence of its wonder is that it is intangible. Of course, it has all history to draw upon. Here every age and creed has left its mark. It has bred warriors and dreamers. Sultans and saints have arisen to build its palaces and slender emerald minarets. It is the final expression of human fecundity. The narrow streets, where the houses, windowless, lean whispering between carved balconies, eddy with life. From the heart of the vine-roofed markets, comes the unceasing hum of a hive. Yet the crowds have no special character. They are of all Eastern castes and types, a web of magnificent imagery wherein is woven all the glamour and enchantment that legend has given to time. Every house is Bluebeard's, with its massive carved doors locked with a wooden key as large as a flute, its lantern borrowed from Aladdin, its shuttered tower, from which peeping slaves survey the roof pageant in search of gossip.—"Kosita Forbes in the 'Royal Magazine.'"

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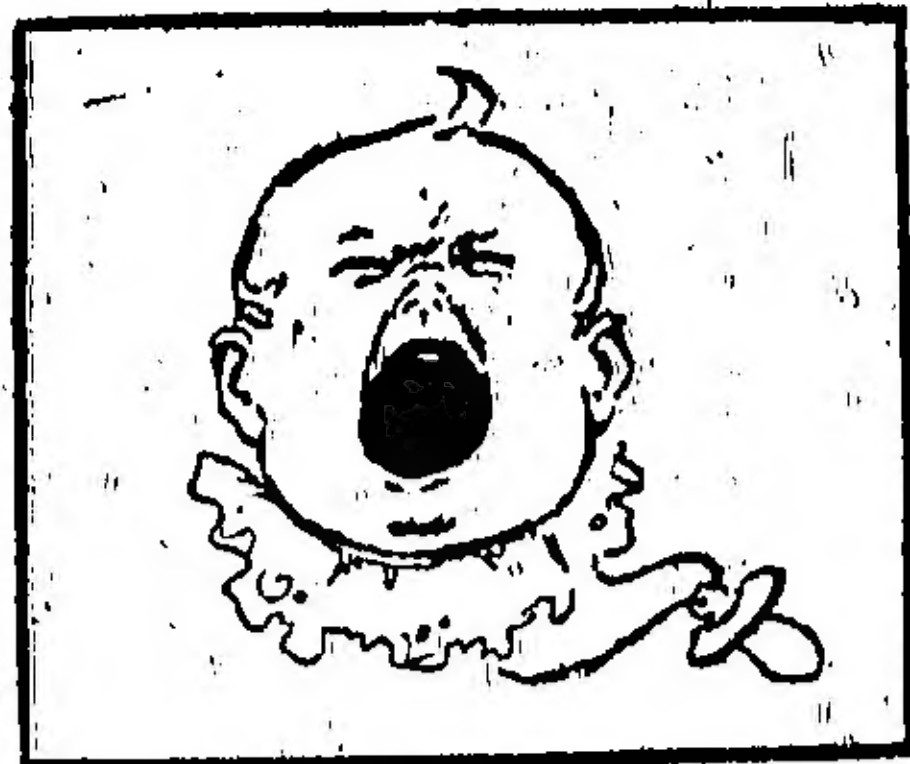
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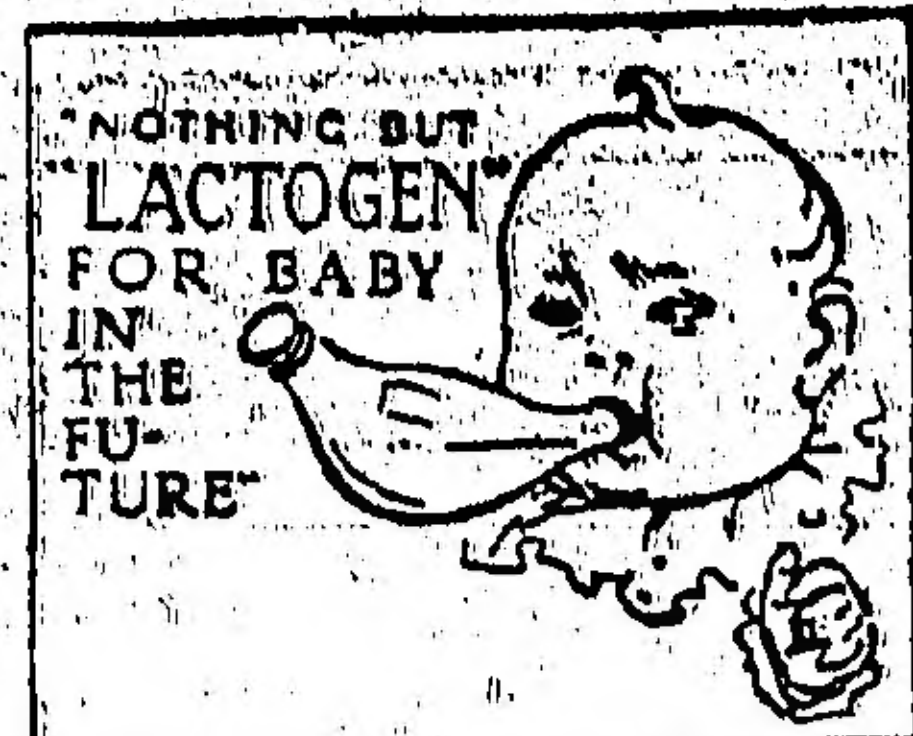


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Straits	22	Van Heutsz
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23		
Straits	23	Janus
Shanghai	24	Shantung
THURSDAY, MARCH 24		
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FRIDAY, MARCH 25		
Japan & Shanghai	25	Haruna Maru
Straits	25	Teesta
SUNDAY, MARCH 27		
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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	28	Pres. Hayes
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Saigon	22	Hwah Cheng	4.30 p.m.
Sam Shui & Wuchow	22	Tak Hing	4.30 p.m.
Swatow	23	Fauang	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23			
Swatow	23	Klungchow	3.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 4th April. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	23	Tango Maru	10.30 a.m.
Straits	23	Yuen Sang	10.30 p.m.
Haiphong	23	Koton Maru	5 p.m.
THURSDAY, MARCH 24			
Swatow	24	Apoc	3.30 a.m.
Haiphong	24	Ninghai	3.30 a.m.
Hohow & Haiphong	24	Teau	10.30 a.m.
Amoy	24	Ichang	3.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, MARCH 25			
Batavia	25	Tjikembang	11.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	25	Hai Ning	1 p.m.
Shanghai & Japan	25	Janus	5 p.m.
Amoy	25	Kutsang	5 p.m.
SATURDAY, MARCH 26			
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### BALKAN TENSION.

#### League And Jugo-Slav Crisis.

##### PROSPECTS OF ACTION.

Rugby, March 21. Although no excessive anxiety is felt in British circles, close attention is being paid to the Balkan situation upon the Italian allegation of military activities on the Albanian and Jugo-Slav frontiers. The allegations have been strongly denied from Belgrade. The Foreign Minister last night declared in the Skupstina that his Government desired only to follow a peaceful policy with avoidance of all adventures, and were willing that international experts should make a public investigation of Jugo-Slav defences.

Commenting on the incident, British newspapers point out that Albania can appeal to the League of Nations if it feels its security is threatened, and that Jugo-Slav Italy or any Power can invoke Article Seven if it considers the situation "threatens to disturb international peace or good understanding between nations upon which peace depends."

At the same time, the inadvisability of setting the League machinery in motion without urgent cause is emphasised, and the view is expressed that the matter should be capable of adjustment by ordinary diplomatic methods.

In many quarters it is thought that the Belgrade suggestion of investigation might be accepted, and that the military attaches of the various Powers should together ascertain the situation on the spot.

—British Wireless Service.

##### Ministers' Advice.

London, March 21. A statement in Rome that the British Minister at Belgrade has joined the Italian Minister in a "verbal remonstrance" against Jugo-Slav military preparations on the frontiers is not confirmed in authoritative circles in London, which state that the British Minister called at the Jugo-Slav Foreign Office to inform himself regarding the situation, and took the opportunity to advise the Jugo-Slav Government to act with the greatest moderation. Similar action was taken by the French Minister according to Paris messages which state that M. Berthelot, Secretary General at the Quai d'Orsay, received the Jugo-Slav Minister and spoke to him in similar strain.

The Bulgarian Minister called at the Quai d'Orsay and renewed his assurances of Bulgaria's pacific sentiments.

The Powers represented on the League Council are consulting as to means to end the tension, if necessary by convoking a special meeting of the Council under Article Eleven of the Covenant.

—Reuter.

##### EARLIER MESSAGES.

Paris, March 21. The possibility of intervention by the League Council in the latest Balkan crisis is adumbrated in a semi-official note, which states that diplomatic conversations are proceeding in Paris. The note expresses the opinion that such intervention may be unnecessary, as the Jugo-Slav Government has declared its readiness to submit to an enquiry by military attaches for the purpose of ascertaining whether there have been any of the alleged military preparations. It is authoritatively stated that the French Ambassador at Rome has given an assurance to Italy that there is no foundation for the accusations of the Giornale d'Italia with regard to the action of certain Frenchmen in favour of Jugo-Slav. France will not fail to renew her advice of a policy of moderation to the Jugo-Slav Government.

—Reuter.

##### No Change of Policy.

Belgrade, March 21. In the Chamber, the Foreign Minister, M. Perich, breathed a hope that Jugo-Slav would maintain friendly relations with Italy and that a spirit of co-operation would continue in view of their common interests. With regard to Albania, Jugo-Slav wished her success in her work of consolidation and progress. He declared there was no reason to fear a change in the Italo-Jugo-Slav relations, so long as Italy observed the inter-allied agreement regarding the independence and territorial integrity of Albania.

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### SMALLER NAVIES.

#### Britain Putting Forward Proposals.

##### EMPIRE'S SPECIAL NEEDS.

Rugby, March 21. In the course of the debate in the House of Commons on the Navy Estimates, Mr. Walter Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, repudiated the suggestion that the Government only gave qualified acceptance to President Coolidge's invitation to discuss further limitation and to join in a discussion of naval ratios. The British Government's answer was that it would like the discussion to be much wider, and that every subject which might lead to the limitation of arma-

##### HEAVILY DEFEATED.

#### Labour Member's Singapore Protest.

London, March 21. In the House of Commons, on the vote for dockyard expenditure, Prof. H. B. Lees Smith (Labour) moved to reduce the vote as a protest against the Singapore dock. The discussion was brief and the amendment was rejected by 213 to 88 votes.

—Reuter.

So far from qualifying our acceptance, he continued, we had widened the invitation, and he was glad to say that President Coolidge accepted our suggestion that the conference should be an open one in which any country represented could discuss any method which it thought might reduce armaments. Not more than five Powers would take part, and possibly not more than three. He hoped all interested would be there.

That conference would now mean something for all of the countries concerned. What it might do, and he hoped would do, was to make it easier for other countries to follow suit and come to some general agreement.

"I think," proceeded Mr. Bridgeman, "we shall be able to put forward proposals which will be at any rate worthy of consideration. I am not going to accept any formula for abolishing all battleships and submarines. I am not going to accept any formula except this, that subject to the consideration that this country stands in a perfectly unique position, in that we are dependent for our very existence on the freedom of the seas, we shall be prepared to consider, with every desire to come to agreement, any proposals that may be made for the limitation of armaments acceptable by other Powers."

"That is a question of relativity. The standard of battleships is relative to smaller vessels which could attack them, and relative to what other countries possess. We are not prepared to say straight away, without considering what any other country is going to do, that we can abate the obligation laid upon us to be in a position to defend this country in case there is any attempt made to cut off our foodstuffs."

He did not yield to anyone in his desire for peace, but it must be peace which left us without anxiety, and an arrangement in which other countries realised our difficulties and we realised theirs. He hoped the result of the conference would be to take a considerable step forward, and he assured the House that while safeguarding the position of this country and the Empire, there was no proposition which any country might bring forward to limit armaments in future which any country might bring forward to limit armaments in future which the British Government would not consider.

##### 5,000 Ton Cruiser Limit.

London, March 21. The House of Commons by 231 to 82 votes rejected a Labour motion to reduce the naval vote moved by Prof. H. B. Lees Smith (Labour) declaring that the Washington Conference merely shifted the competition from battleships to cruisers and urging the Government to take the initiative for disarmament by restricting the maximum size of cruisers and thereby incidentally

by destroying the last vestige of reason for the Singapore dock.

Mr. Walter Bridgeman, replying, said that Britain had thought out definite proposals for submission to the naval disarmament conference which he hoped would be held in June at Geneva or elsewhere. He was not going to accept a formula for the abolition of all battleships and all submarines, but accepted the formula that, subject to the consideration that Britain stands in a unique position dependent for her very existence upon the freedom of the seas, she is prepared to consider, with every desire to come to agreement, any proposals for limitations acceptable to other Powers.

##### League Proposals.

Geneva, March 21. The preparatory committee of the disarmament conference has opened here. Viscount Cecil presented the draft convention providing

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- (5) This chapter deals with procedure in cases of violation of the convention, the duration of which is ten years.

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